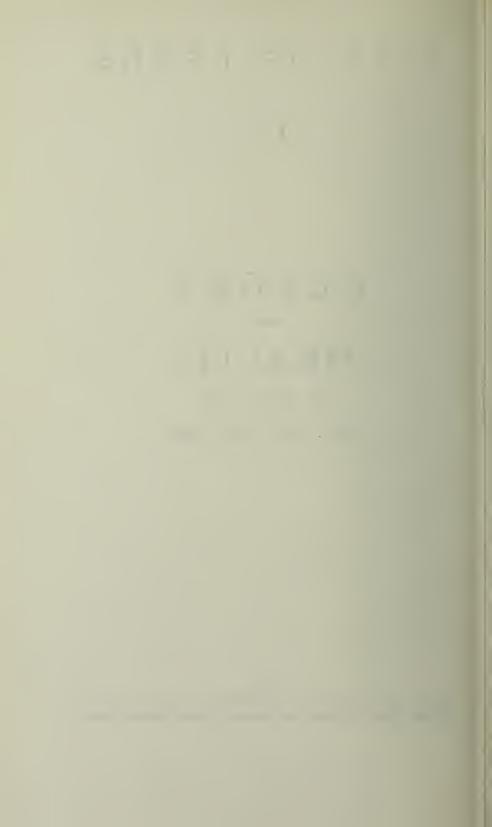
# CITY OF LEEDS

# REPORT

ON THE

# HEALTH

OF THE CITY FOR THE YEAR 1962



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# PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Class of Employees	;		employed 31/12/62
Public Health Inspectors		 	 50
Female Public Health Inspector		 	 1
Student Probationer Public Health Inspe	ctors	 	 16
Condemned Meat Room Attendant		 	 1
Assistant Analysts		 	 5
Health Visitors		 	 64
Student Health Visitors		 	 11
Midwives (including part-time)		 	 53
Dispensers (including part-time)		 	 16
Physiotherapists (including part-time)		 	 5
Immunisation Nurses (including part-tim	e)	 	 3
Chiropodists (including part-time)		 	 6
Social Workers		 	 3
Day Nurseries		 	 114
District Nurses (including part-time)		 	 76
B.C.G. Nurse		 	 I
Infectious Diseases Visitors		 	 2
Clerical Staff		 	 106
Welfare Foods		 	 5
Red Court Hostel (Midwifery Training)		 	 30
Convalescent Home, Southport		 	 4
Mental Health Services		 	 113
Central Ambulance Station Staff		 	 136
General Disinfection and Disinfestation		 	 24
Personal Disinfection and Disinfestation		 	 6
Flushing Staff		 	 II
Public Convenience Lighting		 	 1
Mortuary Service		 	 7
Rodent Operatives		 	 7
Lavatory Attendants		 	 27
Lavatory Cleaner		 	 1
Caretakers and Cleaners		 	 42
Home Helps (including part-time)		 	 319

# City of Leeds

Public Health Department, 25 East Parade, Leeds 1. Tel. No. Leeds 3-0661 September, 1963

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present herewith the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the City of Leeds for the year 1962.

The population of the city continued to increase and according to the estimate of the Registrar General was 514,640 at mid-1962 as compared with an estimate of 511,650 at mid-1961.

Vital Statistics

The number of births registered in 1962 was 9,458 as compared with 8,921 in the previous year. The birth-rate for 1962 was 18·4 as compared with 17·4 in 1961 and an average of 16·7 for the five years 1957-61.

There were 222 deaths of infants under one year of age as against 206 in the previous year. The Infant Mortality Rate was 23 for the third year in succession and compared with an average of 24 during the previous five years. The number of deaths of infants aged under one month was 160 as compared with 132 in the previous year and a five-year average of 143. The neo-natal mortality rate was therefore 16·9 in 1962 as compared with 14·8 in 1961. Peri-natal deaths were 328 giving a peri-natal mortality rate of 34 as compared with 293 and 32 respectively last year. Stillbirths totalled 181 as compared with 170 in 1961, giving rates of 18·8 and 18·7 respectively per thousand total births.

There were 6 maternal deaths giving a maternal mortality rate of 0.62 per thousand total births. The general death-rate for the city was 12.0 as against 12.5 in 1961. The death-rates for the principal causes of death were as follows, the figures in brackets being the rates for 1961:—

Cancer (all sites)	 	2.18	(2.21)
Cancer of lung and bronchus	 	0.65	(0.57)
Coronary disease	 	2.62	(2.63)
Other heart disease	 	1.20	(1.29)
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	 	1.47	(1.70)
Bronchitis	 	0.95	(0.93)
Pneumonia	 	0.85	(0.95)

# Infectious Disease

The Public Health Act, 1961, contains an important new provision, authorising payment of compensation to persons who suffer loss because they have been excluded from work to prevent spread of infection. This is a welcome provision which makes it much easier to secure the co-operation of carriers.

The occurrence of smallpox in the Bradford area led to much public anxiety. The number of contacts in Leeds was small, but their surveillance called for much careful work and there was a steep increase in the number of persons vaccinated. Particulars are to be found in the sections of the Report dealing with Infectious and Other Diseases and Vaccination and Immunisation.

There was a welcome fall in notification of both respiratory and non-respiratory tuberculosis and deaths were also substantially fewer. Nonetheless, tuberculosis is still an important disease and efforts to control it must not slacken. We are now at the stage when complete control, or even eradication of tuberculosis is a possibility, provided the disease is vigorously tackled.

# Venereal Disease

There was again a rise in the number of cases of venereal disease, particularly gonorrhœa. Dr. Catterall makes a number of interesting comments in his section of the Report.

The event of the year was the introduction of the Sabin oral Vaccination vaccine—the widely publicised "Sugar Lump". This has been in Immunisause since March and has proved fully satisfactory.

We are still short of chiropodists, but it is hoped that when Chiropody the National Register of Chiropodists has been completed the situation may be easier.

The Chief Public Health Inspector refers in his section to the Gale severe gale in the early part of the year. This caused damage to Damage roofs and chimneys of about 25,000 houses. The situation was dealt with by the City Council as a major emergency.

During the year two courses were held for the National Certifi- Home cate in District Nursing. Eight candidates attended the first course Nursing and seven the second. All were successful in obtaining the National Certificate.

It is sad to record the death on 20th September of Mr. Harry Obituary Drake, L.D.S., R.C.S., Barrister-at-Law. Mr. Drake joined the City Council in June, 1949, and held office until May, 1961, when he retired mainly on health grounds, though he still continued almost up to the date of his death to take an active interest in a number of aspects of the health services. Mr. Drake was a prominent member of the Health Committee and was for a period "Shadow" Chairman. His kindly personality will be much missed in the city.

In August Miss F. M. Mawson retired, having been a member of Staff the health visiting staff since 1929. In 1947 Miss Mawson became the first tutor in the training course for health visitors at Leeds University to which she was seconded by the Health Committee. Miss Mawson's encyclopaedic knowledge of health visiting was of the greatest value to the Department. In retirement she continues to take an active interest in many aspects of this field.

Acknowledgements I wish to record my gratitude for the ready help which I have received from my colleagues in other Departments of the Corporation particularly the Town Clerk, City Treasurer, City Engineer, Chief Education Officer, City Architect, Director of Housing, Director of Works, Welfare Services Officer and Children's Officer.

It is also my pleasant duty to offer my sincere thanks to the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their courtesy, support and understanding throughout the year.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

D. B. BRADSHAW.

# SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS 1962

LATITUDE 53° 48' North. LONGITUDE 1°	32' Wes	t.		
AVERAGE HEIGHT ABOVE SEA LEVEL	250 feet.			
AREA OF CITY		4	40,613.	5 Acres
HOME POPULATION (Registrar General's Es	stimate)		514,64	.0
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF HOUSES	• •	••	175,75	3
RATEABLE VALUE	••	£19	,716,43	2
SUM REPRESENTED BY A PENNY RATI	€	••	£80,17	5
		:	1962.	Average 1952-61
BIRTH RATE (births per 1,000 living)	••		18.4	16·1
DEATH RATE (deaths per 1,000 living)	••	••	12.0	11.7
NATURAL INCREASE OF POPULATION (Excess of births over deaths in the year)	••	3	3,285	2,219
INFANT MORTALITY RATE (Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 births)	••	••	23	26
DEATH RATE from Pneumonia and Bronchiti	s		ı • 80	1.23
DEATH RATE from Cancer	••	• •	2•19	2.09
DEATH RATE from Diarrhœa and Enteritis (ur	nder 2 yea		0.07	0.87
per 1,000 births	••	••	0.31	0.07
	Cases	Case- rate	Death	Death s rate
SCARLET FEVER	183	o·36		••
DIPHTHERIA	2	0.00		••
POLIOMYELITIS	12	0.02		• •
MEASLES	2,436	4.73	••	••
WHOOPING COUGH	81	0.16		
RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS	337	0.65	24	0.05
OTHER FORMS OF TUBERCULOSIS	27	0.05	2	0.00

# VITAL STATISTICS

# RELATING TO MOTHERS AND INFANTS

(in accordance with Ministry of Health Circular 1/60)

	1962	1961	Average 1957-61
LIVE BIRTHS—  Number	9,458	8,921	8,574
Rate per 1,000 population	18•4	17.4	16.7
ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS PER CENT. OF TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS	8.8	7.8	6.7
STILL BIRTHS—			
Number	181	170	177
Rate per 1,000 total births (live and still)	18.8	18.7	20.2
TOTAL BIRTHS (live and still)	9,639	9,091	8,751
INFANT MORTALITY—			
Number of deaths under 1 year of age	222	206	209
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	23.4	23.1	24.3
Legitimate infant mortality rate	23.4	21.8	23.7
Illegitimate ,, ,, ,,	23.9	38.8	33.6
NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE			
(First four weeks) per 1,000 live births	16.9	14.8	16.7
EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 live births)	15.2	13.8	14.4
PERI-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total births)	34.0	32.2	34.3
MATERNAL MORTALITY—			
Number of maternal deaths (including abortion)	6	3	4
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	0.62	0.33	0.43

# Natural and Social Conditions Vital Statistics

# NATURAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Area.—The area of the city is 40,613.5 acres.

**Population.**—The Registrar General's estimate of the home population of the city at mid-1962 was 514,640.

**Dwelling-houses.**—The total number of dwelling-houses in the city at December, 1962, was 175,753.

**Rateable Value.**—The rateable value of the city at 1st April, 1963, was £19,716,432 and the estimated sum represented by a penny rate was £80,175.

Principal Industries.—Engineering, wholesale clothing, woollen and worsted manufacture, and printing continue to be the city's principal industries. Approximate numbers of persons employed in these industries are as follows:— engineering (including metal manufacture, vehicle manufacture, metal goods and precision instruments) 50,000, wholesale clothing 43,000, woollen and worsted manufacture 13,000 and printing 10,000. Approximately 37,000 persons are employed in distributive trades. These figures are not strictly related to the population of the city as, of course, they include persons not resident in the city.

The average level of unemployment during the year was 1.2 per cent.

Meteorology.—The number of hours of bright sunshine recorded during the year was 1,184·35. The sunniest month was June with a daily average of 6·50 hours and the month with the least sunshine was January with a daily average of 0·89 hours. The sunniest days of the year were June 1st and 7th, each with 14·50 hours, and the daily average for the whole year was 3·24 hours.

The total rainfall for the year was  $18 \cdot 80$  inches. The month with the least rain was June with a total of 0.31 inches; the month with the most rain was August with 3.15 inches. Taking the four quarters of the year, the rainfall in the first quarter was 3.96 inches; in the second 4.11; in the third 7.78 and in the fourth 2.95 inches.

The month with the highest average temperature was August with 60·12°F and the lowest December with 37·56°F.

# VITAL STATISTICS

# BIRTHS

The births registered in the city during the year numbered 10,424, comprising 5,377 males and 5,047 females. Of these, 597 males and 527 females born to parents not residing in Leeds were transferred to the areas in which the home addresses were situated, whilst 87 males and 71 females, born outside the city to Leeds parents, were transferred in, making a nett total of 9,458 births, comprising 4,867 males and 4,591 females.

The birth-rate was  $18\cdot4$  per thousand of the home population, as compared with  $17\cdot4$  for the previous year and an average of  $16\cdot7$  for the previous five years. The birth-rate for the city was higher than that for England and Wales which was provisionally  $18\cdot0$  per thousand of the population.

The birth-rate as adjusted by the Area Comparability Factor (Births) is given in the table on page 5.

Excess of Births over Deaths.—The excess of births over deaths or the "natural increase of population" was 3,285 as compared with 2,508 for the previous year and an average of 2,219 for the previous ten years.

**Illegitimate Births.**—Of the 9,458 (nett) births registered, 836 or 8.8 per cent. were illegitimate as compared with 695 or 7.8 per cent. for the previous year and an average of 577 or 6.7 per cent. for the previous five years.

Stillbirths.—The nett number of stillbirths registered during the year was 181, comprising 93 males and 88 females. The rate per thousand of the population was 0·35 as compared with 0·33 for the previous year. Expressed as a percentage of the total births (live and still), the rate was 1·9 as compared with 1·9 for the previous year. Of the 181 (nett) stillbirths registered, 23 or 1·9 per cent. were illegitimate. The ratio of registered "still" to registered "live" births was 1 to 52, the same as in the previous year.

### **DEATHS**

The gross number of deaths registered in the city was 6,648, comprising 3,386 males and 3,262 females, giving a gross death-rate of 12·9 as compared with 13·4 for the previous year and an average of 12·6 for the previous five years. The inward transferable deaths numbered 430 (203 males and 227 females) and outward transferable deaths 905 (471 males and 434 females) which, after adjustment, leaves a nett total of 6,173 deaths debitable to the city, made up of 3,118 males and 3,055 females.

The corresponding death-rate was 12·0 as compared with 12·5 for the previous year and an average of 11·7 for the previous five years. The provisional death-rate for England and Wales was 11·9.

Area Comparability Factor.—The Registrar General supplies an Area Comparability Factor (A.C.F.) and this, when multiplied by the crude death-rate, gives an adjusted death-rate which is comparable with a similarly adjusted death-rate for any other area. An adjusted death-rate makes allowance for any difference in the population structure of the area, by sex and age, from that of England and Wales as a whole. An A.C.F. is also supplied for the adjustment of the crude birth-rate.

The A.C.F. (Deaths) for Leeds was 1·13 and this, when applied to the crude death-rate of 12·0, gave an adjusted death-rate of 13·5.

The following table gives the crude and adjusted rates of London Administrative County and the twelve principal cities of England and Wales.

		Population	Birth	-rate	Death	ı-rate		h-rate om	Infant Mor-
			Crude	Adj- usted	Crude	Adj- usted	Resp. Tub.	Other Tub.	tality Rate
London Admin. County	,	3,185,770	19.6	17.6	12.0	11.7	0.08	0.01	21
Tr		1,115,080	20.0	19.0	11.2	12.9	0.07	0.01	23
Liverpool		745,230	22.1	20.6	12.3	15.0	0.10	0.01	28
Manchester		659,170	20.6	19.8	13.3	15.6	0.11	0.01	30
Leeds		514,640	18.4	18.0	12.0	13.5	0.05	0.00	23
Sheffield		495,240	17.4	17.6	12.7	14.0	0.11	0.01	20
Bristol		434,260	16.7	16.7	12.7	12.3	0.05	0.01	21
Nottingham		314,360	19.9	19.5	12.1	13.6	0.08	0.01	25
Hull		301,640	19.9	19.1	11.0	13.5	0.06	0.01	28
Bradford		296,220	19.6	19.6	14.1	13.8	0.09	0.01	27
Leicester		272,500	18.7	18.9	12.8	12.8	0.06	0.01	23
		267,090	17.9	17.3	12.5	14.0	0.09	0.01	22
Stoke-on-Trent		266,130	16.7	15.7	11.6	14.9	0.16	0.01	25

Causes of death.—The principal causes of death during 1962 are given below (International List numbers in brackets).

Coronary disease (420)				1,347
Malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	(140-2	205)		1,124
Cerebral hæmorrhage, etc. (330-334)				755
Heart disease (410-416, 421-443)				620
Bronchitis (500-502)				488
Pneumonia (490-493. 763);	••			436
Other circulatory diseases (444-468)			• •	262

The above group of diseases accounted for 5.032 or 81.5 per cent. of the total deaths as compared with 5.251 or 81.7 per cent. last year.

The table on page 9 sets out the causes of death in accordance with the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death.

Deaths in Age Groups.—The table on page II sets out the deaths according to age groups. The aggregate number of deaths of children in the age groups -I, I-2 and 2-5 was 259 or 4·2 per cent. of the total deaths, as compared with 236 or 3·7 per cent. in the previous year and an average of 239 or 4·0 per cent. for the previous five years. The number of deaths in all the age groups under 45 years was 579 or 9·4 per cent. as compared with 554 or 8·6 per cent. in the previous year. In the remaining age groups over 45 years the deaths numbered 5,594 or 90·6 per cent. as compared with 5,839 or 91·4 per cent. in the previous year.

Cremations.—Out of a total of 6,173 Leeds deaths during the year, the number of bodies disposed of by cremation was 3,016 or 48.9 per cent. as compared with 3,114 or 48.6 per cent. in 1961. Of this number, 2,223 were cremated at Lawnswood and the remainder, 793, at Cottingley. The total number of cremations represents a decrease of 98 on the figure for the previous year and an increase of 216 on the average number of cremations for the previous five years.

Public Mortuary.—The number of bodies received into the public mortuary during 1962 was 818 as compared with 830 in 1961. The number of autopsies performed was 704. Arrangements were made by relatives or friends for the disposal of 772 bodies and by the Welfare Services Department for 52; 11 bodies were to be disposed of during 1963.

# INFANT MORTALITY

The number of deaths of children under one year of age during during 1962 was 222 (males 131, females 91) as compared with 206 (males 122, females 84) in 1961. The infant mortality rate was 23 as compared with 23 for the previous year and an average of 24 for the previous five years. The provisional infant mortality rate for England and Wales was 21.

Illegitimate Infant Mortality.—Of the 836 illegitimate births, 20 died before reaching the age of one year, which is equal to an infant mortality rate of 24 as compared with 39 last year.

Causes of Death.—The principal causes of death of infants under one year of age during the year, in order of numerical importance, were prematurity 53 (23.9 per cent.), post-natal asphyxia and atelectasis 43 (19.4 per cent.), congenital malformations 37 (16.7 per cent.), pneumonia 36 (16.2 per cent.) and birth injuries 19 (8.6 per cent.).

Respiratory diseases were responsible for 35 or 15.8 per cent. of the total deaths under one year of age; in 1961 the number was 42 or 20.4 per cent. and the average for the previous five years was 34 or 16.2 per cent. For further details of causes of death of infants under one year of age, see the tables on pages 12 and 13.

**Prematurity.**—The number of deaths from prematurity was 53. The death-rate from prematurity per thousand live births was 5.6 as compared with 4.5 for the previous year and an average of 6.4 for the previous five years. There were 34 deaths assigned to other diseases of early infancy in which prematurity was mentioned on the death certificate.

Deaths in Age Groups.—Of the total (222) infant deaths, 91 or 41.0 per cent. took place on the first day; 147 or 66.2 per cent. in the first week; 160 or 72.1 per cent. in the first month; 19 or 8.6 per cent. between one and three months; 27 or 12.2 per cent. between three and six months; 12 or 5.4 per cent. between six and nine months and 4 or 1.8 per cent. between nine and twelve months.

Neo-Natal Mortality.—The number of deaths occurring in the first month of life was 160 or 28 more than in the previous year, the the corresponding neo-natal mortality rate being 16.9 as compared with 14.8 in 1961.

Of the total deaths under one year of age,  $72 \cdot 1$  per cent. occurred in the first month and of deaths in the first month  $56 \cdot 9$  per cent. occurred on the first day,  $91 \cdot 9$  per cent. in the first week and  $95 \cdot 0$  per cent. in the first two weeks.

**Peri-Natal Mortality.**—The term "peri-natal mortality" has been introduced to measure infant mortality due to causes operating before, during and immediately after birth and includes stillbirths and deaths of infants in the first week of life. The peri-natal mortality rate is calculated per thousand total births (live and still). The rate for 1962 was 34 as compared with 32 for the previous year and an average of 34 for the previous five years.

# MATERNAL MORTALITY

The number of mothers who lost their lives in childbirth during the year was 6 as compared with 3 in the previous year. The corresponding maternal mortality rate per thousand total births (live and still) was 0.62 as compared with 0.33 for the previous year and an average of 0.43 for the previous five years.

The causes of death were as follows:-

- (1) 1a. Cerebral infarction
  - b. Thrombosis of carotid artery
  - c. Pregnancy
- (2) 1a. Eclampsia
  - b. Recent pregnancy
- (3) 1a. Cerebral hæmorrhage
  - b. Eclampsia
  - c. Toxæmia of pregnancy
  - 2. Diabetes mellitus
- (4) 1a. Acute left ventricular failure
  - b. Eclampsia
- (5) 1a. Amniotic embolism
  - b. Placenta prævia
  - c. Pregnancy
  - 2. Bronchitis
- (6) 1a. Hepatic failure
  - b. Acute yellow atrophy
  - c. Toxæmia of pregnancy

# PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH

International List Nos.	Diseases	No. of deaths in 1962(nett)	No. of deaths in 1961 (nett)	Death rate 1962
001-008	Tuberculosis, respiratory	24	28	0.05
010-019	Tuberculosis, other forms	2	5	0 · O
020-029	Syphilitic disease	8	4	0.02
055	Diphtheria			
056	Whooping Cough			
057	Meningococcal infections		3	
080	Acute poliomyelitis			
085	Measles		2	
Remainder of	Other infective and parasitic diseases	7	12	0.01
001-138	Malignant neoplasms:	100	190	0.04
151	Stomach	126	138	0.24
162, 163	Lung, bronchus	333	290	0.65
170	Breast	109 41	115	0.00
171-174	Uterus	41	62	0.08
Remainder of 140-203	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	448	498	0.95
205 204	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	28	29	0.05
260	Diabetes	40	25	0.08
380-334	Vascular lesions of central nervous system	755	870	1.47
420	Coronary disease, angina	1,347	1,347	2.62
440-448	Hypertension with heart disease	78	91	0.15
Remainder of 410-448	Other heart disease	542	576	1.05
444-468	Other circulatory disease	262	274	0.51
480-483	Influenza	14	57	0.03
490-493	Pneumonia	436	487	0.85
763 500-502	Bronchitis	488	474	0.95
470-475 510-527	Other diseases of the respiratory system	24	32	0.05
540, 541	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	61	47	0.12
543, 571 572, 764	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	21	37	0.04
590-594	Nephritis and nephrosis	38	33	0.07
610	Hyperplasia of prostate	11	17	0.02
640-689	Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion	6	3	0.01
750-759	Congenital malformations	63	50	0.12
Residual	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	530	530	1.03
E810-E835	Motor vehicle accidents	67	104	0.13
E800-E802 E840-E962 }	All other accidents	128	107	0.25
E963 E970-E979 }	Suicide	86	60	0.17
E964, E965 E980-E999 }	Homicide and operations of war	10	6	0.02
	Totals	6,173	6,413	11.98

# Causes of and Ages at Death during the Calendar Year, 1962.

										Residen ne Disti		*Total
International List Nos.	Cause of Death	All Ages	Under 1 year	1 & under 2 years	2 & under 5 years	5 & under 15 years	15 & under 25 years	25 & under 45 years	45 & under 65 years	65 & under 75 years	75 and upwards	Hospital Deaths in the District
001-008	Tuberculosis, respiratory	24			}	]	1	3	12	7	1	17
010-019	Tuberculosis, other forms	2					2	]				2
020-029	Syphilitic disease	. 8					]		2	3	3	10
055	Diphtheria											
056	Whooping Cough								[			
057	Meningococcal infections		•••	• •	• •							• • •
080	Acute poliomyelitis		•••	• •								1
085	Measles		••	• • •								
Remainder of 001-138	Other infective and parasitic diseases	7	1						1	3	2	6
001-138	Malignant neoplasms:					111		•••	1		- 1	U
151	Stomach	126					١ ١	6	48	37	35	79
162, 163	Lung, bronchus	333					2	10	149	113	59	240
170	Breast	109						7	49	26	27	86
171-174	Uterus	. 41						5	21	9	6	43
Remainder )	Other malignant and	1										
of 140-203,	lymphatic neoplasms .	. 488		1	1	2	6	26	169	138	145	413
205	Tl							1				
$\frac{204}{260}$	Leukaemia, aleukaemia . Diabetes	28	•••	• •	+	1	2	2	8	4	7	33
330-334	Diabetes Vascular lesions of central	40		• • •		1		2	12	9	16	31
330-334	ncrvous system	. 755	1				2	16	147	210	380	544
420	Coronary disease, angina .	1.347	::				_	27	378	462	480	588
440-443	Hypertension with heart	1,011			• • •		••	2.	0,0	402	100	300
	disease	. 78						1	16	20	41	33
Remainder of		1										
410-443	Other heart disease	542					2	24	96	115	305	293
444-468	Other circulatory disease .	. 262					1	6	48	71	136	191
480-483	Influenza	. 14	2			1			4	4	4	7
490–493, 763	Pneumonia	100	36	4	2		1	9	40	92	252	327
500-502	Bronchitis	488	5	1	1		1	8	128	159	185	283
$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 470-475 \\ 510-527 \end{array}\right\}$	Other diseases of the respiratory system .	94	1		١.				10	0		- 00
540, 541	Ulcer of stomach and	· 24			1	1		1	10	6	6	22
340, 341	duodenum	. 61	١						22	23	16	64
543, 571 <b>\</b>	Gastritis, enteritis and	1 01				1	•••		22	20	10	02
572, 764	diarrhoca	. 21	2	١			1	1	4	4	9	24
590-594	Nephritis and nephrosis .	. 38				2	2	3	12	8	11	43
610	Hyperplasia of prostate .	. 11	1	·						2	9	14
640-689	Pregnancy, childbirth and											
	abortion	. 6	1 :::				1	5				6
750-759	Congenital malformations	63	37	6	2	3	3	5	4	3		74
Residual	Other defined and ill-defined diseases.	500	100	1	1.			0"		mo	101	539
E810-E835	Motor vehicle accidents	530	136	1 1	1 5	3	17	25 16	92	79	191 4	62
E810-E835 E800-E802	hiotor venicle accidents .	1 67		1	9	5	17	10	11	8	4	02
E840-E962	All other accidents	. 128	3	2	3	2	8	13	16	21	60	96
E963	, and addition .	120	0	-	1	1 -		20	10			1
E970-E979	Suicide	. 86		١	١	1	5	19	36	17	9	11
E964, E965	Homicide and operations o			1		1	1			1		
E980-E999 }	War	10			1			2		6	1	7
	Totals	6,173	222	16	21	19	59	242	1,535	1,659	2,400	4,189
100	X.	1	1	1		1			,,,,,,,	_,303	,,,,,,	,,,,,

<sup>\*</sup>Total Deaths whether of "Residents" or "Non-Residents" in Hospitals and Institutions in the District.

# DEATHS IN AGE GROUPS (NETT), 1952-1962

Together with the percentage, of the total deaths, represented by each group (in italics).

	Under								
Year	1	1–2	2-5	5–15	15-25	25–45	45–65	65+	Total
1952	231	20	32	25	<b>3</b> 8	327	1,560	4,059	6,292
	3.7%	0.3%	0.5%	0.4%	0.6%	5.2%	24.8%	64.5%	
1953	261	11	22	30	48	267	1,558	3,700	5,897
1000	4.4%	0.2%	0.4%	0.5%	0.8%	4.5%	26.4%	62.7%	,,,,,
1954	198	13	19	28	30	273	1,546	3,648	5,755
1004	3.4%	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%	4.7%	26.9%	63.4%	0,100
1955	194	17	11	<b>3</b> 9	48	273	1,507	3,727	5,816
1000	3.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.7%	0.8%	4.7%	25.9%	64.1%	
1956	216	17	17	22	<b>3</b> 9	263	1,488	3,700	5,762
1000	3.7%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.7%	4.6%	25.8%	64.2%	0,102
1957	207	9	14	34	44	244	1,558	3,711	5,821
1001	3.6%	0.1%	0.2%	0.6%	0.7%	4.2%	26.8%	63.8%	
1958	218	II	16	26	38	249	1,512	3,862	5,932
1000	3.6%	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	0.6%	4.2%	25.5%	65.1%	
1959	213	17	20	<b>2</b> 9	47	227	1,600	3,967	6,120
1909	3.5%	0.3%	0.3%	0.5%	0.8%	3.7%	26 · 1%	64.8%	
1960	199	11	26	30	44	2 <b>2</b> I	1,517	<b>3</b> ,743	5,791
1800	3.4%	0.2%	0.4%	0.5%	0.8%	3.8%	26.2%	64.6%	
1961	206	12	18	35	48	235	1,619	4,240	6,413
1301	3.5%	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.7%	3.7%	25.2%	66.1%	
1962	222	16	21	19	<b>5</b> 9	242	1,535	4,059	6,173
1002	3.6%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	1.0%	3.9%	24.9%	65.8%	

DEATHS FROM STATED CAUSES UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE

		1		1
International List Nos.	Cause of Death	1961	1962	% of total deaths under one
010	Tuberculosis of meninges and			
	central nervous system			
Rest of ooi-oig				
020	Syphilis			
050	Scarlet fever			• • •
055	Diphtheria			• • •
056	Whooping Cough			
057	Meningococcal infections	2		
085	Measles	I		
340	Meningitis (non-meningococcal)	2	I	0.5
480-483	Influenza		2	0.0
490-493	Pneumonia (4 weeks—1 year)	30	28	12.6
500-502	Bronchitis	5	5	2.3
560, 561, 570	Intestinal obstruction, hernia	3	3	1.4
571, 572	Gastro-enteritis (4 weeks—r year)	5	2	0.0
751	Spina bifida and meningocele	13	II	5·ó
754	Congenital malformations of cir-			
	culatory system	8	II	5.0
750, 752, 753			1	
755-759	All other congenital malformations	Io	15	6.8
760-761	Birth injuries	18	19	8.6
762	Post-natal asphyxia, atelectasis	30	43	19.4
763	Pneumonia of newborn (—4 weeks)	6	8	3.6
764	Diarrhœa of newborn (—4 weeks)	I		
765-768	Other infections of newborn		I	0.2
770	Hæmolytic disease of newborn	5	3	1.4
769	Other diseases peculiar to early			
771-773 ∫	infancy	II	4	1.8
774-776	Prematurity	40	<b>5</b> 3	23.9
E924	Accidental mechanical suffocation	2	I	0.2
Rem. of	0.1			
E800-999	Other violent causes	3	2	0.0
Residual	All other causes	II	10	4.2
	Totals	206	222	

year 15 19 8 53 I 01 222 282 13 1-3 3-6 6-9 9-12 m'ths m'ths m'ths 4 NETT DEATHS FROM STATED CAUSES AT VARIOUS AGES UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE. 12 27 61 2-3 8-4 -1 weeks weeks m'th 091 61 01 9 : 1-2 weeks 5 days н days S 4 days 9 3 days 1 2 days 61 1 day 18 day 39 16 Congenital malformations of circulatory system Meningitis (non-meningococcal or tuberculous) Other diseases peculiar to early infancy All other congenital malformations Pneumonia of newborn (—4 weeks) Gastro-enteritis (4 weeks-r year) Diarrhœa of newborn (--4 weeks) Accidental mechanical suffocation Post-natal asphyxia, atelectasis Hæmolytic disease of newborn Intestinal obstruction, hernia Spina bifida and meningocele Pneumonia (4 weeks—1 year) Cause of Death Other infections of newborn Tuberculosis, other forms Meningococcal infections Tuberculosis of meninges INFANT MORTALITY 1962. Whooping Cough ... Other violent causes Totals All other causes Birth injuries Diphtheria ... Scarlet Fever Prematurity Bronchitis Influenza Syphilis Measles 500-502 **560,** 56**1,** 570 769, 771-773 774-776 E924 750–759 762 763 764 765–768 571, 572 E800-999 International 480-483 490-493 010-100 List Nos. Rest of Residual Rest of 770 340 Rest of 751

INFANT MORTALITY DURING THE FOURTEEN YEARS 1949-1962 AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE.

Under one week Under one month		ne H	onth	One and unde	One and under three months	Three and under	d nnder nths	Six and under nine months	under	Nine an twelve	Nine and under twelve months	Under one year	ne year
Deaths	Rate	Deaths	Rate	Deaths	Rate	Deaths	Rate	Deaths	Rate	Deaths	Rate	Deaths	Rate
125   14	14.8	156	18.5	36	4.3	29	3.4	21	2.5	12	1.4	254	30
122   15.0	0	148	18.2	43	5. 8.	35	4.3	91	2.0	∞	1.0	250	31
125 15.5	70	141	17.5	36	4.5	40	5.0	61	4.2	11	1.4	247	31
126 16.3	60	144	18.6	28	3.6	37	4.8	11	1.4	11	1.4	231	30
160 20.2	67	182	22.9	31	3.9	21	2.6	91	2.0	11	1.4	261	33
118 15.6	9	135	17.8	24	3.2	21	8.2	12	1.6	9	8.0	861	56
123   16.1	_	136	17.8	61	2.5	56	8.4	7	6.0	9	8.0	194	25
131 16.8	~	153	19.0	28	8.5	21	2.6	6	1.1	ζ.	9.0	216	27
124 14.7	-	150	17.8	18	2.1	23	2.7	01	1.2	9	0.7	207	25
130 15.5	73	152	18.1	61	2.3	30	3.6	∞	1.0	6	1.1	218	56
130 15.6	9.	149	17.8	22	2.6	24	2.9	7	8.0	11	1.3	213	25
12 12	12.3	131	14.9	30	8.4	21	2.4	12	1.4	3	9.0	199	23
123 13	13.8	132	14.8	30	3.4	56	2.9	∞	6.0	10	1.1	206	23
147   15	15.5	160	16.9	19	2.0	27	2.9	12	1.3	4	0.4	222	23

# MINISTRY OF HEALTH TABLES. TABLE I.

VITAL STATISTICS OF LEEDS C.B. FOR 1962 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

																								15
02	At all Ages	Rate	13	13.6	14.2	13.7	13.8	8.11	12.8	12.3	13.5	12.5	11.7	11.3	11.5	11.3		11.4	9.11	6.11	11.2	12.5	12.0	minary)
NETT DEATHS BELONGING TO THE AREA	At all	Number	12	6,124	6,410	6,614	6,793	5,902	6,451	6,254	6,797	6,292	5,897	5,755	5,816	5,762		5,821	5,932	6,120	5,791	6,413	6,173	510,597 (preliminary)
TT DEATHS BELOTHE AREA	Under 1 Year of Age	Rate per 1,000 Nett	Births 11	50	26	41	51	35	30	31	31	30	33	56	25	27		25	56	25	23	23	23	1
	Under 1 Y	Number	10	429	438	401	552	321	254	250	247	231	192	861	194	216		202	218	213	199	206	222	or Censu
ERABLE	Of Resi-	dents not registered in the Area	6	411	425	389	378	396	324	396	409	443	981	180	891	185		207	317	426	449	497	430	ages at the 1961 Census
BIRTHS TOTAL DEATHS TRANSFERABLE REGISTERED IN THE DEATHS	Of Non-	residents registered in the Area	œ	109	595	570	267	009	630	579	595	262	643	649	647	693		695	778	787	863	616	905	l ages a
TOTAL DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE	PA	Rate	7	14.0	14.6	14.1	14.2	12.2	13.4	9.21	6.EI	12.8	12.6	12.3	12.4	12.3		12.4	12.5	12.6	12.1	13.4	12.9	Total population at all
TOTAL DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE	AREA	Number	9	6,314	6,580	6,795	6,982	901'9	6,757	6,437	6,983	6,446	6,354	6,224	6,295	6,270		6,309	6,393	6,481	6,205	6,835	6,648	populati
	Nett.	Rate	20	6.81	17.2	20.2	22 · I	18.4	16.3	15.0	0.91	15.3	15.7	15.0	15.0	15.8		2.91	16.4	16.3	1.71	17.4	18.4	
Виктня	Ne	Number	4	8,518	2,760	988,6	10,875	9,234	8,447	8,113	8,044	7,740	7,932	7,584	7,630	8,033		8,429	8,379	8,353	8,789	8,921	9,458	
		Un- corrected Number	က	8,611	8,258	10,267	11,394	9,938	9,146	8,857	8,700	8,250	8,465	8,185	8,259	8,640		9,023	8,995	9,045	9,483	69,769	TO,424	_
	Population estimated to	Middle of each Year	63	451,100	451,670	481,570	492,140	501,900	504,900	509,700	503,030	504,800	505,500	507,200	507,400	508,600	\$062,605	510,100	511,600	513,300	514,760	511,650	514,640	\s_'
		YEAR	1	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956		1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	Area

in acres (land and \40,613.5 inland water) Area of Leeds C.B.

\* Population used for calculating vital statistics to allow for change in boundary. † Mid-year population after change in boundary

TABLE II. Cases of Infectious Diseases originally notified before alteration of Diagnosis

DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1962.

						NIM	RER OF	NIMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED.	North	٥						_	
								At A	At Ages—Years	ears.						Tota	Total Cases
Notifiable Disease	At all Ages	Ages	Under 1		1 and under 5 years		5 and under 15 years		15 and under 25 years		25 and under 45 years		45 and under 65 years	39 dn	65 and upwards	Hos	removed to Hospital
	M.	íz.	ķ.	) Tr	M.	, i	M.	F. 1	М.	F	М. F.	. W.	<u>   </u>	M.	<b>a</b>	M.	F.
Anthrax	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:					:	:	:	:	:
Diphtheria	က	9	:	:	-	01	:		01	٠ •		1	-	:	:	77	9
Dysentery	849	911	75	45	385	288	157	1.76	- - - -	108	136 1	192	46 7	70   13	- SS	65	20
Facenbalitie gente (Infective	:	:	:	:	:	:		· :		- <u>-</u>	· 	· 	: 	:	:	:	:
Encephantis, acute   Post-infectious	-	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	_		. '		: '	: '	:	: 3	: '
Erysipelas	18	22	:	:	: 1	: ;	21	: ;	•	<sub>ග ද</sub>		21		9		:0 :	۵,
Food poisoning	82	·20	21	o0	100	18	17	=	× ~	 91	52		<b>7</b>	91	~	F	*
Malaria	:	:	:	:			:	:		-			:	:	:	: 8	: 3
Measles	1,242	1.207	22	44	674	208	505	435	+	13		9		:	:	56	77
Meningococcal infections	c1	:	-	:	-		:	- :	•		<u>.</u>	<u>.</u>	: 	:	:	:	: '
Ophthalmia neonatorum	œ	12	œ	12	:	<u> </u>	:	- :		_	· -	<u>.</u>	:	:	:	:	-
Paratyphoid fever	61	:	H	:	-	:		:		. :		_			: ;	\$1	: ;
Pneumonia (acute primary)	270	264	19	12	35	13	12	13	00	10	_		88 64	81	=======================================	152	142
Pneumonia (acute influenzal)	21	27	Ç1	61	-	©1	 :		67	-	رد در	က	7 1	10   7	∞ 	21	
Poliomyelitis	14	6	:	01	က	ಣ	9	21	ଚୀ		ಣ	<u>-</u>	:	:	:	23	න <sub>(</sub>
Puerperal pyrexia	:	138	:	:	:	:	:	<u> </u>	•	72 .	_	. 99		:	:	:	21
Scarlet fever	86	85	-	:	30	23	54	22	10		c1	_		:	:	io 1	33
Typhoid feve	-	:	:	:	:	:		:	<u>.</u>	<u>.</u>			:	:	:		: '
Whooping cough	49	40	<del>-+</del>	6	828	- 02	16				-	<u>.</u>	: 	:	:	+	9
Smallpox	:	:	:	:	:	:		:		· -	•		:	:	:	: ;	: ;
Non-notifiable diseases	369	301	85	49	22	44	49	75	30	0#	34	48	55 38	8	40	370	302
Totals	3,029	3,109	249	178 1	1,252 1,	1,121	819	748 1	107	267 2	236 3'	378 2	212 217	7 154	500	658	572
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TABLE IIA. ACCEPTED CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES (AFTER CORRECTION OF DIAGNOSIS) DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1962.

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Diphtheria	2/1	:	:	:	-	:	:	:	-	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	61	: :
Dysentery	851	868	74	40	384	285	159	174	41	107	134	193	45	7.1	14	28	62	99
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Ophthalmia neonatorum	6	12	6	12	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	П	1
Paratyphoid fever	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Pneumonia (acute primary)	309	275	39	19	41	22	13	14	10	30	59	42	97	65	80	105	191	152
" (acute influenzal)	20	27	67	<b>4</b> 1	<u></u>	61	:	-	61	-	61	ಣ	7	10	9	œ	1	1
Poliomyelitis	-1	20	:	21	-	61	ಣ	:		:	61	1	:	:	:	:	5	2
Puerperal pyrexia	: ;	140	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	74	:	65	:	-	:	:	:	4
Scarlet fever	101	25	_	:	 	24	23	56	=	:	61			-	:	:	00	က
Typhoid fever	: '	:	:	:	: 1	:	: 1	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Whooping cough	45	36	70	9	- 52	19	16	=	:	:	-	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
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TABLE IIA. (continued).

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	Bramley	:	:	87	:	:	-		:	109	:	6	:	25	:	-	43	28	:	:	:	17	321	10(1)	:
	Wortley	:	:	21	:	:	:	67	:	73	:	:	:	19	က	:	:	9	:	83	:	ro	131	8(1)	:
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	Middleton	:	:	134	:	:	61	17	:	172	-	:	:	24	1	:	_	5	:	က	:	21	381	19(2)	,
	Hunslet Carr	:	:	93	:	:	:	6	:	88	_	:	:	15	:	:	:	6	:	13	:	23	251	15(2)	:
	Ноіреск	:	:	33	:	:	-	7	:	92	:	:	:	12	:	-	_	7	:	9	:	27	187	8(2)	1
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	Halton	-:	:	18	:	:	61	6	:	255	:	:	:	23	9	:	:	12	:	63	:	24	351	18(1)	1
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	East Hunslet	:	:	116	:	:	-	63	:	28	:	:	:	14	•	:	:	01	:	10	:	14	217	က	
MUNICIPAL	Burmantoite	:	;	89	:	:	:	9	:	41	:	:	:	19	2	:	-	01	:	1	:	19	162	16	1
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TOTAL ACCEPTED CASES (APTER	Meanwood	:	:	89	:	:	က	-	:	51	:	:	:	25	-	:	:	က	:	:	:	6	161	5	1
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	Westfield	:	:	25	:	:	61	-	:	62	:	:	:	20	:	-	17	61	:	¢₹	:	30	162	19(2)	1
	Blenheim	:	:	116	:	:	8	11	:	42	:	:	:	15	:	:	:	61	:	01	:	34	225	25(3) 19(2) 14(3) 5 2	1
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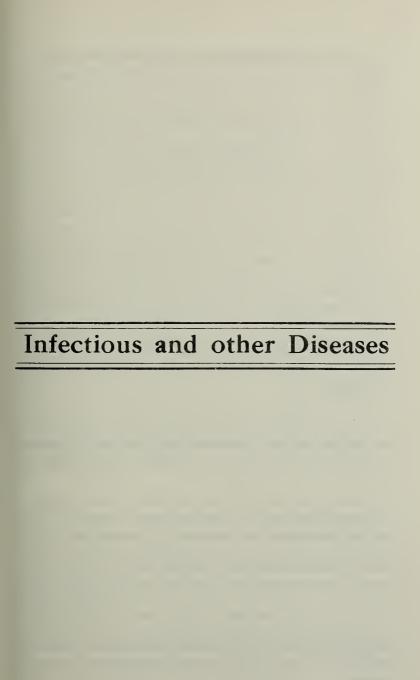
# VITAL STATISTICS 1920 - 1962

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<sup>11929</sup> and onwards per 1,000 total births (live and still)

Ø Includes 2 non-residents not transferable





# INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

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Although two cases of diphtheria were recorded during the year, only one was actually a Leeds case, the other being a non-resident or "out-of-city" case diagnosed in Leeds. The actual Leeds case was the first to occur in the city since 1959. Poliomyelitis was more prevalent than in some recent years with 12 cases. Notifications of dysentery (1,749) were the highest on record. The incidence of whooping cough and scarlet fever both reached new low levels, the number of cases (81 and 183 respectively) were the lowest ever recorded.

It is again a pleasure to record thanks to Dr. G. B. Ludlam and Dr. B. P. Marmion and their staff at the Public Health Laboratory for much help and advice, and also thanks to Dr. E. C. Benn and his staff at Seacroft Hospital.

Public Health Act, 1961.—Under Section 41 of Part III of this Act, provision is made for compensation for stopping employment to prevent the spread of (a) a notifiable disease, or (b) a disease to which Subsection (1) of Section 23 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, applies. The Medical Officer of Health for any district may, under this Section, request any person to discontinue his work and the Local Authority shall compensate a person who has suffered any loss in complying with such a request. During the year 15 persons were excluded from work and paid compensation for loss of earnings, including 8 who were contacts of smallpox during the outbreak 'at Bradford.

Diphtheria.—There were two accepted cases of diphtheria (both bacteriologically confirmed) during the year. Only one, however, was a Leeds case, the other being a non-resident or "out-of-city" case diagnosed in Seacroft Hospital. This patient was a male aged 18 years whose home address was in Huddersfield. He had been admitted from there to the Leeds General Infirmary and was later transferred to Seacroft Hospital as a suspected case of diphtheria. The case was subsequently diagnosed as faucial diphtheria (atypical strain). The Leeds case was the first to occur in the city since 1959. The details of this case are as follows:— The patient was a little boy aged 3 years. The diagnosis was confirmed in Seacroft Hospital on a positive throat swab (mitis type). He had not been immunised. Following confirmation of the case, nasal and throat swabs were taken from the other members of the family (7) and four of them (the father aged 33 years and three children aged 9 years, 8 years and 4 years respectively) were found to be "carriers" of the disease; the father positive nasal swab, the three children all positive throat swabs (all mitis type). None of them had been immunised. Nasal and throat swabs were also taken from 58 children at the school where two of the child "carriers" attended; all these proved negative. Three consecutive negative cultures from swabbings of both nose and throat were obtained in each case before discharge from hospital. One of the three children found to be carriers had come to this country fairly recently and it is thought that the infection may have been imported in this way.

Scarlet Fever.—There was again a decrease in the number of accepted cases of scarlet fever during the year, 183 as compared with 215 last year and 415 in 1960. This was 32 fewer than last year's lowest-ever figure of 215. Of the 183 cases, 11 (6·0 per cent.) were treated in Seacroft Hospital. The case-rate was 0·36 as compared with 0·42 in 1961. The disease continues to be mild. There were no deaths.

Smallpox, Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers, Typhus, Plague and Cholera.—No case of smallpox, typhoid fever, paratyphoid fever, typhus, plague or cholera occurred during the year.

At the beginning of the year a severe smallpox epidemic in Pakistan resulted in the introduction of cases of smallpox into this country and by the second week of January there had been six such importations. One of these was in a child who died in a Bradford hospital and, as a result, eleven cases of smallpox occurred and the infection was introduced into five hospitals. In spite of the closeness of the two authorities, the number of direct contacts of the infection in Leeds was fairly small, largely because the two cities are served by different hospital groups; none of these contacts developed smallpox. There were, however, many casual and slight contacts and further contacts of importations to other parts of the country were notified.

The investigation and surveillance of these contacts and the examination of suspected cases of smallpox referred by general practitioners for a second opinion involved a very large amount of work over a period of several weeks. The organisation and carrying-out of vaccination and the reception and answering of enquiries and messages from Press, public and other authorities threw an additional burden on the Department which was shared by all members of the staff.

During the month of August, 17 contacts from S.S. "Oronsay", which arrived at Gravesend from Bombay with a case of smallpox aboard (an Asian boy aged 3 years), were kept under surveillance as were 9 contacts from another ship arriving in this country during October from which a suspected case of smallpox had been landed at Suez. None of the contacts developed the disease.

Two symptomless excreters of Paratyphoid B Fever (one phage type Scarborough and one phage type Dundee) were discovered during the year. Both were female children aged one year and 4 months respectively. The former was found on fæcal examination prior to admission to a day nursery and the latter on fæcal examination at a Children's Home (nursery section). Both children were removed to Seacroft Hospital. The younger child, who was discharged from hospital on 29th September after giving a series of consecutive negative specimens, was re-admitted to Seacroft Hospital on 8th December when Paratyphi B was again isolated in a

specimen of her fæces taken at the Children's Home. Further fæces specimens (6) taken after her re-admission to hospital were all negative. 6 urine specimens, however, were found positive for Paratyphi B. The child was discharged from hospital again on 19th January, 1963, after 6 consecutive negative urine specimens had been obtained but three days later she was again admitted to Seacroft Hospital when a positive result was reported on a fæces specimen taken at the Children's Home following discharge from hospital. Fæces and urine specimens taken from the immediate contacts of both children all gave negative results.

During the year 4 typhoid fever contacts were kept under observation as were 7 chronic typhoid carriers.

During the year 28 "other" cases were referred to the Department by medical practitioners for second opinions; the majority of these were reported during the Bradford smallpox outbreak. All were visited and diagnosed as follows:— chickenpox (12), rubella (5), urticaria (2), allergic rash (2), psoriasis (1), scabies (1), respiratory infection (1), influenza (1), anxiety neurosis (1), allergic reaction to primary vaccination (1), and generalised urticarial reaction to poliomyelitis vaccination (1).

Measles.—The number of accepted cases of measles was 2,436 as compared with 8,106 last year (an epidemic year for measles). Of the total cases 38 were treated in Seacroft Hospital. There were no deaths.

Whooping Cough.—There was a marked fall in the number of accepted cases of whooping cough during the year, 81 as compared with 413 last year and 898 in 1960. This is the lowest number of cases recorded since the disease became notifiable in 1939. No case required treatment in Seacroft Hospital. There were no deaths.

Puerperal Pyrexia.—There were 140 accepted cases of puerperal pyrexia during the year as compared with 170 last year and 185 in 1960. Of the total, 127 (90·7 per cent.) occurred in hospitals, 2 (1·4 per cent.) in nursing homes and 11 (1·4 per cent.) in the practices of general medical practitioners and midwives. 4 cases were treated in Seacroft Hospital. There were no deaths.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—The number of accepted cases of ophthalmia neonatorum during the year was 21 as compared with 36 in 1961 and 18 in 1960. 2 cases were treated in Seacroft Hospital. All cases recovered.

**Erysipelas.**—Accepted cases of this disease numbered 44 as compared with 46 last year. Of these, 7 (16·0 per cent.) were treated in Seacroft Hospital. There were no deaths.

Malaria.—No case of this disease was notified during the year. Last year one case was notified.

Anthrax.—No case of anthrax was notified during the year as compared with one case in 1961.

Dysentery.—There was a considerable increase in the number of accepted cases of dysentery during the year. Total cases numbered 1,749 as compared with 1,238 last year and 1,180 in 1960. This is an increase of 23 on the previous highest-ever figure of 1,726 in 1959. There were no deaths. Of the 1,749 cases, 1,520 occurred at home, 57 in hospital and institutions and 172 in day nurseries. The number treated in Seacroft Hospital was 118, or 6.7 per cent. of the total. Of the cases, 779 were Sonne and 5 Flexner, whilst the remaining 965 were not typed. During the year outbreaks of Sonne dysentery occurred in six day nurseries accounting for 170 cases (155 children and 15 staff). Four of the children were admitted to Seacroft Hospital. In the course of routine fæcal testing during these outbreaks 3 symptomless excreters of Salmonella organisms were discovered (2 Salmonella typhi-murium and one Salmonella westerstede); one of them was a member of the staff at a day nursery and the other two were in the homes of children attending day nurseries. Sporadic cases of Sonne dysentery and one case of Salmonella typhi-murium also occurred during the year at day nurseries. The latter case was admitted to Seacroft Hospital. Outbreaks of Sonne dysentery occurred during the year at three hospitals in the city. These were as follows:--

- Leeds General Infirmary in March/April; 25 cases (18 patients and 7 staff). The 18 patients were removed to Seacroft Hospital.
- 2. The Non-Infectious Disease side of Seacroft Hospital in October; 6 cases (all patients). All were transferred to the Infectious Disease side of this hospital.
- 3. Killingbeck Hospital in November; 5 cases (all patients). All isolated and treated in Killingbeck Hospital.

During the month of November, one case of *Salmonella typhimurium*, 2 cases of *Flexner* dysentery and 2 cases of *Sonne* dysentery were removed from St. James's Hospital to Seacroft Hospital. All the above cases were bacteriologically confirmed and all recovered.

Once again cases of diarrhœa and vomiting occurred at various times of the year, especially amongst schoolchildren, and on investigation no causal organisms could be isolated. The outbreaks are presumed to be due to viruses and the condition is being investigated by the Public Health Laboratory Service.

Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis).—Although the total number of cases of poliomyelitis for the country as a whole was the lowest this year for over 40 years, the incidence in Leeds was higher than in some recent years. There were 12 accepted cases (11 paralytic and one non-paralytic) during the year as compared with 2 in 1961 and one in 1960. Of the 12 cases, 10 (83·3 per cent.) were admitted to Seacroft Hospital and 2 (16·7 per cent). to the Leeds General Infirmary. There were no deaths, in 9 cases the virological tests gave positive results, all Type 1; the other 3 were negative. In 2 of the 12 cases (both paralytic), the patients had received poloimyelitis vaccine as follows:—

- (a) Female aged 26 years. Onset 12.8.62. Removed to Seacroft Hospital 20.8.62. 3 injections in 1960/61.
- (b) Male aged 12 years. Onset ? 7.11.62. Removed to Seacroft Hospital 28.11.62. 3 injections in 1958/59. Booster injection in 1961.

In both of the above cases there was complete recovery.

At the end of the year 5 cases had recovered completely, 3 were left with severe paralysis or weakness and 4 with slight paralysis or weakness. Of the 28 wards in the city 11 contributed to the number of cases as follows:— Westfield (1), Wellington (1), Kirkstall (1), Woodhouse (1), Moortown (1), Allerton (1), Potternewton (2), Osmondthorpe (1), Holbeck (1), Bramley (1) and Stanningley (1).

The monthly incidence of cases is as follows:—

January		 Ι
February	У	 -
March		 I
April		 2
May		 2
June		 I
July		 2
August		 2
Septemb	er	 _
October		 -
Novemb	er	 Ι
Decembe	er	 _
		_
		12
		_

#### AGE AND SEX INCIDENCE AND TYPE OF DISEASE.

Age (years)	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	Over 45	Totals
Paralytic:					1			
Males	I	I	I	I	I	I		6
Females	4				I			5
Non-paralytic:								
Males			I	\				I
Females				\				
				-				
TOTALS	5	I	2	I	2	I		12_

Cases and deaths for the past five years are as follows:—

Year	Cases	Deaths
1961	2	~
1960	I	-
1959	II	_
1958	95	3
1957	41	I

Individual case record cards on all notified cases of poliomyelitis were again forwarded to the Epidemiological Research Laboratory in London.

Acute Encephalitis.—No case of acute infectious encephalitis was notified during the year. There was one case of post-infectious encephalitis notified by a general practitioner. One death was recorded from acute meningo-encephalitis, this was a male aged 59 years (certified by the Coroner after a post-mortem). The death, an inward transfer, occurred in Pinderfields Hospital, Wakefield.

**Meningococcal Infection.**—There were 6 accepted cases of meningococcal infection during the year as compared with 7 last year. 4 of the cases were treated in Seacroft Hospital. There were no deaths.

Food Poisoning.—The number of accepted cases of food poisoning or suspected food poisoning during the year was 168 as compared with 178 in 1961 and 209 in 1960. Of the total, 33 proved to be Salmonella infections; of these, 16 were admitted to Seacroft Hospital. There were no deaths. The Salmonella organisms isolated were as follows:—

*Salmonella	typhi-muriu	ım			29
,,	anatum		• •		I
,,	heidelberg				1
,,	manhattan		• •		I
,,	thompson			• •	1
					_
			Tota	1	33

\*The phage type in 7 of these cases (3 separate families and a single case) was U125, the same type as identified in outbreaks of food poisoning in Sussex believed to be due to Australian frozen egg used in the manufacture of cream confectionery. In these 7 cases the families had all purchased food manufactured by a bakery outside the city using this type of egg. Samples of frozen egg taken at the bakery and from the Cold Stores (none of the particular batch involved in Sussex were present in the Cold Stores at the time of visiting) all gave negative results for Salmonella typhi-murium as also did samples of some of the foodstuffs taken at the bakery.

During the year 8 persons were found on fæcal testing to be symptomless excreters of Salmonella organisms, whilst 25 other persons gave fæces which were positive for Salmonellae not considered to be food-borne.

Included in the total cases of actual or suspected food poisoning are 126 cases which occurred in different households and which were bacteriologically negative. None of these cases required admission to hospital and there were no deaths. Also included in the total cases are a notified cases of staphylococcal food poisoning which occurred as follows:— At about 8 p.m. on Saturday 7th July, 9 persons were admitted to Seacroft Hospital, Leeds, with symptoms of food poisoning. They were a party of people from outside Leeds who had attended the Test Match at Headinglev Cricket Ground, Leeds, on that day. They had a picnic meal (cold turkey etc.) during the day from a food hamper brought by a member of the party. This hamper had been prepared by a catering firm outside the city the previous day and had been stored in the boot of a car overnight. Staph, aureus was isolated in the fæces of all those affected and in some specimens of vomit. Examination of some of the turkey left over revealed a heavy growth of staph. aureus and coliform bacilli. No salmonellae or Cl. welchii were isolated in any of these specimens. The Medical Officer of Health of the district where the food hamper was prepared was informed of the outbreak. All the patients soon recovered and were discharged from hospital within two days of admission.

**Diarrhoea and Enteritis.**—The number of deaths of children under two years of age from diarrhoea and enteritis during the year was 2 as compared with 7 in 1961. The death-rates per thousand live births were 0.21 and 0.78 respectively.

**Venereal Diseases.**—The number of deaths assigned as due to venereal diseases was 8 which is equal to a death-rate of 0.02 per thousand of the population. The corresponding figures for 1961 were 4 and 0.008 respectively. For details of the work of the Treatment Centre at Leeds General Infirmary, see page 97.

Incidence of Blindness.—I am indebted to the Welfare Services Officer for the following statistical information regarding the admission of persons to the Register of Blind and Partially Sighted during the year.

# A. Follow-up of Registered Blind and Partially Sighted Persons

(i) Number of cases registered during		Cause of I	DISABILITY	
the year in respect of which para. 7 (c) of Forms B.D.8 rec-	Cataract	Glaucoma	Retrolental Fibro- plasia	Others
ommends:— (a) No treatment (b) Treatment (medical,	13	5		<b>6</b> 9
surgical or optical)	39	29		33
(ii) Number of cases at (i)(b) above which on follow-up action have received treat-				25
ment	22	23		25

#### B. OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM

(i) Total number of cases notified during the year	21
(ii) Number of cases in which:—  (a) Vision lost  (b) Vision impaired  (c) Treatment continuing at end of year	

Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms (Cancer).—The appended table gives details of deaths assigned to malignant and lymphatic neoplasms during 1962. The total of 1,125 deaths in this group of diseases is seven less than last year's total. The corresponding death-rate was 2·19 per thousand of the population.

							ĺ		Αį	ge G	roup	s									
1962 Cause of Death*	-	1	1-	-	2-	-	5-	_	1	5	25		45		65	_	75	-	A Ag		Grand Total
Cause of Death.	М	F	M	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	M	F	M	F	М	F	M	F	M	F	Total
Malignant Neoplasms:							- 3														
Buccal cavity and pharynx														3	0	2	2	9	12	8	20
(140-148) Oesophagus (150)		• • •	•••	• • •		• •	••		••	• •	1	••	4	3	6	2	4	5			
Oesophagus (150)		• •		• •						• •	1	5	34	14				21	_		126
Other digestive organs (152-159)	::										4	4	37		27	32	_	43		113	_
Trachea, lung and bronchus	l ···														ندا						
(162-163)	١								1	1	8	2	130	19	98	15	42	17	279	54	333
Other respiratory organs						- 1															
(160, 161, 164, 165)												1	2		6	2	1	2	9	5	_
Breast (170)											1	6		49		26	2	25	3	106	
Cervix uteri (171)												3		15		6		4		28	28
Other parts of uterus (172-174)												2		6		3		2		13	13
Male genital organs (177-179)											1		5		11		23		40	• •	40
Skin (190-191)	1											1	2		2	1		• •	4	2	6
Bone and connective tissue																					_
(196-197)				• •	• • •		• •		•••	•••	• •	•••	2	•••	•••	• •	• •	3	2	3	5
All other sites											_			0.1		10	9	23	77	74	151
(Rem. of 140-199)		• •	1	• •	1	• •	1	1	2	••	5	7	39	24	19	19	9	23	"	14	101
NY 1 C 1																					
Neoplasms of lymphatic tissues (200-203)									3	1	2		5	5	4	1	1	3	15	10	25
(200-203) Leukaemia (204)		•••		•••	1	3	ii	1	1	1	1	1	5	3	2	2	4	3		_	28
Mycosis fungoides (205)			,										1						1		1
Total	1		1		2	3	1	2	7	3	24	32	269	175	202	125	125	154	631	494	1,125

<sup>\*</sup>International List Numbers are shown in brackets.

Influenza.—There were 14 deaths from influenza during the year as compared with 57 in 1961. The death-rates per thousand of the population were 0.03 and 0.11 respectively.

**Pneumonia.**—Accepted cases during the year numbered 631, of which 584 (92.6 per cent.) were primary and 47 (7.4 per cent.) influenzal. The corresponding figures for 1961 were 613, of which 540 (88.0 per cent.) were primary and 73 (12.0 per cent.) influenzal. Of the 631 cases, 345 were treated in Seacroft Hospital. There were 436 deaths from all forms of pneumonia (including 8 deaths from pneumonia of the newborn) as compared with 487 last year The mortality rates were 0.85 and 0.95 respectively.

**Bronchitis.**—There were 488 deaths assigned to this disease as compared with 474 in the previous year. The death-rates were 0.95 and 0.93 respectively.





#### TUBERCULOSIS STATISTICS

The number of cases on the register at the end of 1962 was 2,694, as compared with 2,693 at the end of 1961, an increase of one case.

**Notification.**—During the year 337 cases of respiratory tuberculosis (of which 37 were transfers from other areas) and 27 nonrespiratory (of which one was a transfer from another area) were notified, making a total of 364 cases of which 38 were transfers. Compared with the previous year there were decreases of 34 in the respiratory notifications and 6 in the non-respiratory notifications. Compared with the average of the previous five years there were decreases of 38 in the respiratory notifications and 7 in the nonrespiratory notifications.

The case-rate of respiratory tuberculosis was 0.65, of non-respiratory 0.05 and of all forms of the disease 0.70 as compared with 0.73, 0.06 and 0.79 respectively for the previous year.

Of the total cases of respiratory tuberculosis, 11.9 per cent. were children under the age of 15 years, 15.1 per cent. persons between 15 and 25 years and 73.0 per cent. were in the remaining age groups. The corresponding figures for the previous year were 7.8 per cent., 12.9 per cent. and 79.2 per cent. respectively.

With regard to the non-respiratory type of disease,  $22\cdot2$  per cent. were children under 15 years and  $77\cdot8$  per cent. were persons over 15 years. The corresponding figures for the previous year were  $9\cdot1$  per cent. and  $90\cdot9$  per cent. respectively.

Of the total cases, 218 were notified by the Senior Chest Physician, 10 were notified by general medical practitioners, 98 came from hospitals and 38 were transfers from other areas.

The number of cases of respiratory tuberculosis not heard of until time of death was 7 (including 2 posthumous notifications) and the number of non-respiratory 2, making a total of 9, a decrease of 11 as compared with the figure for the previous year.

Out of a total of 26 deaths from tuberculosis of all forms, 4 died within 7 days of notification, 3 died between 7 and 28 days after notification and one died between 28 days and 12 months after notification.

The following tables give details of notifications of tuberculosis received during the year.

#### RESPIRATORY

Ages	-1	I-5	5-15	15-25	25-35	35-45	45-55	55–65	65+	Total
Males	2	7	11	(3)	34 (2)	37 (7)	43 (4)	37 (2)	24	222 (18)
Females	I	3	16	24 (2)	27 (9)	21 (4)	12 (1)	7	4	115
Totals	3	10	(3)	51 (5)	61 (11)	58 (11)	55 (5)	44 (2)	28	337 (37)

#### Non-Respiratory

Ages	-I	1-5	5-15	15-25	25-35	35-45	45-55	55-65	65+	Total
Males		I	2	3 (1)	5	I				12 (1)
Females		I	2	4	2	I	I		4	15
Totals	• •	2	4	7 (1)	7	2	1		4	27 (I)

Figures in brackets are 'Transfer In' cases and arc included in the totals.

Site			Males	Females	Total
Central nervous system Abdominal Spine Bones and joints Skin Lymphatic system Genito-urinary system Other sites	   m	 	 I I  6	1    9 5	5  1 1  15 5
Totals	••	 	12	15	27

**Deaths.**—Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis during the year numbered 26 of which 22 were males and 4 females. In the previous year the total was 33 of which 27 were males and 6 females. Of the total, respiratory tuberculosis accounted for 24 or 92·3 per cent. and non-respiratory 2 or 7·7 per cent. The death-rate from respiratory tuberculosis was 0·05, from non-respiratory 0·004 and from all forms of the disease 0·05 as compared with 0·05, 0·01 and 0·06 respectively for the previous year.

Set against the average rates for the previous five years, the figures represent a decrease of 0.03 in the respiratory rate, a decrease of 0.01 in the non-respiratory rate and in the rate for all forms of the disease a decrease of 0.04.

# RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS AGES AT DEATH

1962	-1	1-5	5-15	15-25	25-35	35-45	45-55	55-65	65+	Total
Males				I		I	3	8	8	21
Females					2		I			3
Totals			•••	I	2	I	4	8	8	24
Average 10 years 1952-1961				2	6	10	14	15	17	64

## Non-Respiratory Tuberculosis. Deaths

1962		Tubercular meningitis	Abdomin- al	Bones and Joints	Other tuber- culosis	Total
Males					I	I
Females		I				I
Totals	•	I			I	2

### Ages at Death

1962	-I	I-5	5-15	15–25	25-35	35-45	45-55	55-65	65+	Total
Males				I						I
Females	• •			I						I
Totals				2						2
Average 10 years 1952-1961		I		I		I		I	I	5

The following table gives details of notifications of and deaths from tuberculosis during the years 1940-1962:—

TUBERCULOSIS

	DEATHS							NO	OTIFIC	CAT1O	NS	
YEAR	Respir		No respira tubercu	tory	All fo		Respir		No respira tuberce	atorv	All f	orms ulosis
	Deaths	Death.	Deaths	Death- rate	Deaths	Death- rate	Cases	Case.	Cases	Case- rate	Cases	Case-
1940	416	0.89	51	0.11	467	1.00	557	1 · 20	110	0.24	667	1 · 43
1941	362	0.77	46	0.10	408	o·86	598	1.27	162	0.34	760	1.61
1942	310	0.67	47	0.10	357	0.77	638	1.38	170	0.37	808	1.75
1943	325	0.72	53	0.13	378	0.83	595	1.31	151	o·33	746	1.64
1944	277	0.61	39	0.09	316	0.70	631	1.40	157	o·35	788	1.75
1945	286	0.63	32	0.07	318	0.40	579	1 · 28	156	o·35	735	1.63
1946	261	0.54	27	o· <b>o</b> 6	288	0.60	519	1 .08	178	0.37	697	1.45
1947	305	0.62	37	0.08	342	0.70	518	1.05	133	0.27	651	1.32
1948	245	0.49	28	0.06	273	0.55	497	0.99	132	0.26	629	1.25
1949	244	0.48	30	<b>o ∙ o</b> 6	274	0.54	480	0.95	108	0.21	588	1.16
1950	178	0.35	15	0.03	193	o·38	521	1.02	98	0.10	619	1.31
1951	166	0.33	16	0.03	182	o·36	476	0.95	104	0.31	58o	1.15
1952	113	0.22	10	0.02	123	0.24	476	0.94	97	0.10	573	1 · 14
1953	111	0.22	9	0.02	120	0.24	420	0.83	91	0.18	511	1.01
1954	83	0.19	4	0.01	87	0.17	470	0.93	80	0.16	550	1.08
1955	67	0.13	3	0.01	70	0.14	488	0.96	85	0.17	573	1.13
1956	56	0.11	8	0.03	64	0.13	484	0.95	62	0.12	546	1.07
1957	47	0.09	5	0.01	52	0.10	397	0.78	41	0.08	438	o·86
1958	54	0.11	2	0.00	56	0.11	365	0.71	21	0.04	386	0.75
1959	45	0.09	5	0.01	50	0.10	380	0.74	39	0.08	419	0.82
1960	35	0.07	3	0.01	38	0.08	360	0.70	37	0.07	397	0.77
1961	28	0.05	5	0.01	33	0.06	371	0.73	33	0.06	404	0.79
1962	24	0.02	2	0.00	26	0.05	337	0.65	27	0.05	364	0.40

# REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE TUBERCULOSIS DEPARTMENT OF THE LEEDS CHEST CLINIC

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Epidemiology.—General.—The statistical section shows that deaths from respiratory tuberculosis again fell by 14 per cent. as compared to the previous year. 7 males died for each female, and this discrepancy is due to the large number of deaths in the elderly. 66 per cent. of all deaths occurred in those over 55 years of age, all of them men. Non-respiratory deaths also fell from 5 to 2. Similarly, twice as many men as women were notified as suffering from tuberculosis. Only in the 5-14 age group do female notifications exceed male. For several decades the female peak has been constant in the 15-34 age group, whilst the male peak occurs between 45-54. However, half the male cases of tuberculosis occur after age 45; tuberculosis is thus a disease of middle aged and elderly males, and of adolescent females and young women of child bearing age. Respiratory notifications are reduced by 9 per cent. and non-respiratory by 18 per cent. compared to the previous year.

Mortality of Tuberculosis.—The death-rate in each quinquennium during the last 20 years shows a progressive reduction, the greatest fall (66 per cent.) occurring in the period 1947-1952, since when in each 5 yearly period the reduction has tended to decline:—

Period	Mortalit	ty Rate	Reduction
	From	То	
1942-1947	 0.77	0.70	 9%
1947-1952	 0.70	0.24	 66%
1952-1957	 0.24	0.10	 58%
1957-1962	 0.10	0.05	 50%

It has been suggested that the appreciable reduction between 1947 and 1952 may be due to the introduction of anti-tuberculosis drugs in 1950. But their use was by no means general much before 1952 or 1953. But if the death-rates from all forms of tuberculosis during successive quinquennia are considered, it is apparent that a significant fall in the death-rate was already manifest before the introduction of the drugs:—

Period	Mortalit	y Rate	Reduction
	From	To	
1945-1950	 0.70	o·38	 46%
1950-1955	 0.38	0.14	 63%
1955-1960	 0.14	0.08	 43%

The effect of the introduction of the drugs on the death-rates was maximal between 1950 and 1955, and since then the rate of reduction of the mortality rate is even less now than it was in the pre-drug era.

Notifications of Tuberculosis.—The case-rate of notification of all forms of tuberculosis was I·42 in I939, showed a 23 per cent. increase by I944, and returned to the pre-war level of I·45 in I946. Since then notifications have fallen by about I5-25 per cent. in each quinquennium, save only for the 5 year period during which the anti-tuberculous drugs were introduced:—

Period	Notificat	ion Rate	Variation
	From	To	
1939-1944	 1.42	1.75	 +23%
1944-1946	 1.75	1.45	 —I7%
1946-1951	 1.45	1.12	 -21%
1951-1956	 1.15	1.07	 <b>一</b> 7%
1956-1961	 1.07	0.79	 <del>2</del> 6%

Tuberculosis Register.—The total number of cases on the Register at the end of the year is almost the same as at the start (see Table 1). Compared with 1961, fewer cases were added in 1962, and many more were removed in 1961, due to the large number of cases re-assessed and classified as "Recovered". This variation is therefore almost certainly an artificial one, so that the chances are that the reduction of the total known tuberculous population in Leeds observed in 1961 is probably continuing in 1962.

Posthumous Tuberculosis Deaths.—The number of cases of tuberculosis not heard of until they died, has shown a considerable reduction in 1962 (see Table 2). This is amplified by the note to Table 2.

**Principal Thoracic Causes of Death.**—There has been an increase in the number of deaths from all thoracic causes and from accidents (see Table 3), but the number of tuberculosis deaths continues to fall and tuberculosis is now an unimportant cause of death.

**Primary Tuberculous Disease.**—The proportion of notified cases of tuberculosis (excluding cases transferred-in) due to primary tuberculous pulmonary disease, is unchanged at about 9 per cent (see Table 4). There has been no significant variation in recent years. The comments made on this subject in previous years still apply.

Case Finding Methods.—The value of the various case finding methods remains reasonably constant. The pick-up rate of the Exclusion X-ray Service (see Table 6) remains unchanged at about 10 per 1,000 examinations, whilst examination of the elderly entrant to the Welfare Service Old People's Homes (see Table 7) is clearly a most effective form of discovering cases of tuberculosis, with a pick-up rate of the order of 40 per 1,000 examinations. This again underlines the present geriatric nature of pulmonary tuberculous disease. Conversely, Tables 5 and 8 show the relative ineffectiveness of routine M.M.R.

Tuberculosis Contact Service.—The work in the Contact Department is shown in Table 9 and 10, and reflects a situation comparable to that existing in previous years. The relative ineffectiveness of prolonged follow-up after the initial surveys and assessments is shown by the following abstract from Table 10:—

	All Contacts	New Only	Old Only
Nos. of Contacts seen Nos. with Pul. Tub.	3,364 39	1,904 37	1,460 2
Incidence per 1,000.		20.5	1.37

An even bigger discrepancy was observed in 1961.

Tuberculin Surveys.—Table 10 shows that of 1,904 new contacts seen in the year, 964, i.e. about 50 per cent., were tuberculin negative of whom the greater part were children and adolescents. Virtually all these accepted B.C.G. vaccination.

The percentage of Mantoux-negative school children and adolescents (see Table II) increases year by year, but between leaving school and entering college a dramatic change in tuberculin status occurs. This change is also seen in the University Undergraduate on entry to University (see Table I2) where again only about 24 per cent. of new entrants are tuberculin negative. However, about 50 per cent. of the students had received B.C.G. and this is probably the explanation of the considerable difference between the schools and the colleges. Moreover, of those who had received B.C.G. in the past, only 4 per cent. were now found to be tuberculin negative.

#### TUBERCULOSIS REGISTER

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	Re	spirato	ory	Non-	Respir	atory	Total
	M.	F.	Total	М.	F.	Total	M. & F.
ON REGISTER AT 31.12.61	1,426	969	2,395	125	173	298	2,693
ADDED TO REGISTER: Cases notified in 1962 Transfer-in Cases Cases returned	204 18 8	96 19 4	300 37 12	11	15 	26 I	326 38 12
Totals	230	119	349	12	15	27	376
Taken off Register: Diganosis not confirmed Re-diagnosed N.R. to R. Recovered Transferred-out Lost sight of Deaths from tuberculosis Deaths from other causes Register Revision Totals	6  124 222 16 17 36 1	4  88 8 10 3 11 	30 26 20 47 1	1 14 2 19	 6 1 1 1 	I 200 2 2 2 I I 3 3 29	232 32 28 21 50 1
Cases on register at 31.12.61 plus cases added in 1962 Minus cases taken off 1962 Plus N.R. to R	1,656 222	1,088	2,744 346	137	188	325 29	3,069 375
CASES ON REGISTER AT 31.12.62	1,434	964	2,398	118	178	296	2,694

(Table 1)

## DEATHS OF CASES NOTIFIED IN 1962

No. of tuberculosis cases not heard of until time of death Registrars' Returns	2 7	 9
No. of deaths within 28 days of notification		 7
" " deaths in other patients notified in 1962		 I
", ", deaths in patients notified before 1962		 14

(Table 2)

(N.B.—Cases not heard of until time of death—Registrars' Returns: This figure (7) includes deaths where tuberculosis was mentioned in Part II of the death certificate, the deaths being assigned to causes other than tuberculosis. It is, therefore, not possible to strike a balance between this figure plus the 22 deaths listed below it and the number of tuberculosis deaths (26). The figures of 22 and 26 relate to deaths assigned to tuberculosis.)

#### PRINCIPAL THORACIC CAUSES OF DEATH

	1958	7060	1962		
	1950	1960	All deaths	Men 45+	
Pulmonary tuberculosis Cancer of lung Bronchitis Coronary artery disease Pneumonia	54 270 430 1,075 383	35 266 381 1,206 359	24 333 488 1,347 436	19 270 320 736 170	
Totals	2,212	2,247	2,628	1,515	
All accidents (for comparison)	156	174	195	47	

(Table 3)

## INCIDENCE OF PRIMARY TUBERCULOUS DISEASE

Type of Tuberculosis	1959	1960	1961	1962
Respiratory (Total)	341	324	325	300
	26	30	22	28
	7·6	9:3	6·8	9:3

(Table 4)

# CASE FINDING METHODS

Method	No. of new patients so investigated	No. of new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis	Ratio per 1,000 examinations		
		found	1962	1961	1960
G.P. Letters Exclusion X-ray Service Routine X-Ray for other	1,622 5,766	71 60	44 10	53 12	45 13
purposes Contact examinations M.M.R	342 3,364 20,056	39 20	1.0 11	8 1·2	1.3 11
Total	31,150	190	6.1	7.2	6.7

(Table 5)

## EXCLUSION X-RAY SERVICE DISCOVERY RATE

	1962	1960	1958
Total attendances New cases of pulmonary	5,766	5,360	5,077
tuberculosis Ratio per 1,000 examina-	60	70	45
tions	10	13	9

(Table 6)

# Welfare Services Geriatric X-Rays

Age-Groups	Nos. X-Rayed	Abnormal Films		
40-59 60-69 70-79 80+	8 13 81 65	I  4 2		
Totals	167	7		

(Table 7)

# Mass Miniature X-Ray Service

				Nos. examined		Nos. with presumed inactive pulmonary tub.		Nos. with presumed active pulmonary tub.	
Age-Groups				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-14									
15-24						1	3	4	3
25-34						3	I	7	
35-44						3	2	I	• •
45-59						II	5	2	• •
60+	• •	• •	• •	+	<b>↓</b>	4	I	5	• •
Total by sex	es			12,207	7,849	22	12	19	3
Grand total	•••	••	••	20,056		34		22	

(Table 8)

# New Contacts Seen in 1962

New Contacts seen	••			••		1,904
Tuberculin negative Tuberculin negative given B.C.G.						964 9 <b>5</b> 8
Tuberculin positive Tuberculin positive found with pul Tuberculin positive found with pul Tuberculin positive found with pul	l. tub. . tub.	with	rimary	disease		940 37 17 20
Cases of pul. tub. found in all previous old contact cases						2

(Table 9)

# Work Done in Contact Department

	1961	1962
1. Nos. of contacts examined:  (a) No. of new contacts seen	3,664 1,917 1,747 3,106 2,682 424	3,364 I,904 I,460 2,807 2,490 407
3. Nos. of tuberculin negative contacts:  (a) No. given B.C.G. vaccination (b) No. refused B.C.G. vaccination	982 968 14	964 958 6
4. Nos. of cases of pulmonary tuberculosis discovered: (a) among new contacts seen for first time (b) among old contacts under review	28 27 I	39 37 2
5. Ratio per 1,000 of new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis discovered:  (a) among new contacts	7·6 14·6 7·6	11·5 20·5 11·5

(Table 10)

B.C.G. SCHEME 1962

Type of School	No. tuber- culin tested	No. read	No. tuber- culin positive	No. tuber- culin negative	No. given B.C.G.
Primary	397	364	26% 96	74% 268	268
County Secondary and Comprehensive	3,071	2,851	20 % 578	80% 2,273	2,273
Secondary Modern and Technical	2,189	2,086	26% 543	74% 1,543	1,543
Colleges	180	167	71% 119	29% 48	48
Totals	5,837	5,468	24% 1,336	76% 4,132	4,132

(Table 11)

# Tuberculin Sensitivity of Members of the University of Leeds (With acknowledgments to Dr. R. J. Still)

	Males	Females	Total
(1) No. of persons receiving Heaf Test	1,164	464	1,628
(2) No. of persons returning for Test reading	972	409	1,381
(3) No. of (2) Heaf Positive	727	317	1,044
(4) No. of (2) Heaf Negative	245	92	337
(5) Percentage of (2) Heaf Positive	75%	77%	76%
(6) Percentage of (2) Heaf Negative	25%	23%	24%
(7) No. given B.C.G	204	48	252
(8) Percentage of (4) given B.C.G	83%	52%	75%
(9) Percentage of (2) previously given B.C.G. (10) Percentage of (9) Heaf Negative	48%	53%	49% 4%
0 0, 1 1 1	570		

(Table 12)

#### TUBERCULOSIS—SOCIAL WORK

BY

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During 1962, all the varied activities of the Almoner's Department were continued for the benefit of patients of the Clinic. Many tuberculous patients are now short term cases where social help is concerned, as modern methods of treatment and the continuing advances in chemotherapy enable them to return to work quite soon, with a corresponding cessation or reduction of their problems. Some, however, including chronic patients from an earlier period, are still off work for a number of years and all the services of the Welfare State are utilised to help them to maintain themselves and their families.

During the year 1,698 patients and their relatives were interviewed at the Clinic, an increase of 250 on last year; 617 applications for help were made to the Special Services Committee. One pint of milk a day free of charge was supplied to 133 patients.

Now that the bed situation in chest hospitals is so much easier and patients are admitted quickly and discharged when they are non-infectious, there is not the same need for patients to sleep in a separate bed; only 2 beds complete with bedding were loaned to patients during the year. Mattresses and bedsteads were loaned to 4 patients and a mattress to another. A cot was provided for a patient with a young baby. Bedding was loaned as required to 21 patients.

Clothing is a constant need for the patient who has put on weight in sanatorium and has little to fit him, also for the patient returning to work and for the chronic patient who cannot afford necessary replacements as years go by. To preserve the health of members of the patient's family and to help protect them from possible infection by keeping them well and warmly clad, it is necessary to provide clothing from time to time for them too. During 1962, 238 grants of clothing were made to patients and their families.

Gifts from well-wishers enabled II grants of second-hand furniture and curtaining to be made to patients, and a pram was provided for a baby.

A new departure at the end of the year was the decision to continue the free milk grant and loans of bedding to patients who are technically recovered but remain permanently disabled owing to their previous tuberculosis. Only one patient was affected during 1962.

Co-operation with Other Departments.—Without the constant help and information provided by other Departments, patients would not surmount the difficulties of their illness, and warm thanks are due to all those which co-operate so readily with the Almoner at all times. Statutory sources approached included the Convalescence and Home Help Sections of the Public Health Department, the Care of Children, Welfare Services, Education, Probation and Cleansing Departments, the Ministries of Health and Labour, the Yorkshire Electricity Board, and the Income Tax Authorities. As always, the National Assistance Board provided help for a large number of patients; 214 patients and their relatives were referred to the Board for allowances and 25 for help in kind.

Voluntary Organisations.—Our grateful thanks are once more due to the Leeds Chest and Heart Association for its tireless efforts to assist our patients in any way which will promote their bodily comfort or ease of mind. During 1962, 379 applications were made to the Case Committee.

Warm thanks are once again offered to the Leeds District Aid in Sickness Fund which has helped patients steadily throughout the year with a variety of problems. 51 grants were made.

Owing to the generous and varied help given by these two local organisations, it has hardly been necessary to approach any other voluntary charitable bodies during 1962 for monetary grants to meet patients' needs. The R.E.M.E., R.A.O.C. and R.A. Benevolent

Funds helped with patients and the W.V.S. responded readily to 12 requests for clothing. Other bodies providing help included the Crypt, the Jewish Board of Guardians, Browning House, the British Red Cross Society, the International Voluntary Service and the Leeds Lions.

Non-Tuberculous Patients.—It is apparently not always fully realised that non-tuberculous patients of the Clinic can also be offered help and advice by the Almoner. Although the number of those referred to her is always considerably less than the number of tuberculous patients, it is gradually increasing and all possible help is given to these other patients who may well be more seriously ill (and for a longer time) than some of those suffering from tuberculosis.

During 1962, 35 non-tuberculous patients were referred for grants from the Leeds Chest and Heart Association and 38 for grants from other voluntary organisations. 21 of these were from the National Society for Cancer Relief. The prompt and ready help of the N.S.C.R. eases the last months of any cancer patient whose needs are brought to the Almoner's notice. 23 patients were referred to the Ministry of Labour for help in finding employment and 15 to the Convalescence Section of the Health Department for holidays.

One child patient was recommended for treatment in Switzerland at the Pro Juventute Home in Davos. The practical arrangements for the children to go to this Home are made by the British Red Cross Society and the administrative work is done by the Chest and Heart Association. Half the cost of treatment for the child is paid, but the other half, the cost of the fare, clothing and other incidentals, have to be found by the parents. In this case, an application was made to the Education Committee, who agreed to meet the cost which would otherwise have fallen on the parents.

The Welfare Services Department and the Ministry of Pensions were approached for help for other non-tuberculous patients,

General.—The Almoner lectured as usual to health visitor students, district nursing students and nurses at Killingbeck Hospital; she also attended a meeting to discuss the lectures in the health visitors' training course. She spoke to a Townswomen's Guild and a women's church group on the work of the Department. An officer from the Regional Office of the National Assistance Board visited the Almoner's Department, and the Almoner visited the Deputy Regional Controller of the National Assistance Board at Lawnswood. She attended a half-day conference on Stroke Rehabilitation at the Medical School, and meetings for Social Workers on the work of the Women Police and on the new scheme for social work training following the Younghusband Report.

Generous grants from the "Yorkshire Evening Post" and the Leeds Workpeople's Hospital Fund enabled gifts of toys and books to be made to 208 children from 53 families at Christmas. The Leeds Chest and Heart Association gave bags of coal to 100 aged and infirm patients, and the Leeds District Aid in Sickness Fund provided food parcels for 8 more. Two Townswomen's Guilds gave beautiful hand-knitted blankets, which went to elderly patients living alone, and the Atkinson Trust provided blankets for 5 others. It was good to know that the kind thoughts of their fellow citizens in more prosperous circumstances enabled so many patients to enjoy something of the special happiness of Christmas.

# Disinfestation and Disinfection

#### DISINFESTATION AND DISINFECTION

BY

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The Disinfestation and Disinfection Section is at Stanley Road, Harehills. The Disinfestation Officer has an Assistant and 3 Charge Officers, each responsible for a Sub-Section, viz. (a) General Disinfestation, (b) General Disinfection, (c) Maintenance and Cleansing of Public Conveniences, and (d) Drainage and Public Sewer Flushing.

Personal Disinfestation.—This Section, housed in the Clinic block, is supervised by a State Registered Nurse who is assisted by one male and two female attendants. At one end of the Clinic building is a section for the treatment of *pediculus capitis*. During 1962, 1,851 (1961—1,769) persons were given 1,876 treatments, 1,701 being children of school age and below. In connection with these cases 1,711 homes were visited, advice given and arrangements made by the two visitors, both of whom are qualified nurses. Close collaboration was maintained with the School Health Service.

The other end of the Clinic building is designed for the treatment of *pediculus corporis*, *phthirus pubis* and scabies cases. Cases of *pediculus corporis* numbered 496 (472 in 1961), mainly vagrants. A number of persons being dealt with under the National Assistance Act, 1948, Section 47, were cleansed and disinfested before admission to a home or hospital.

During the year 594 persons (459 in 1961) were treated for scabies, of whom 209 were of school age and under, 301 contacts received prophylactic treatment and 432 houses were visited. These cases are referred for treatment by the Skin Department of the Leeds General Infirmary and by general practitioners. There were 13 cases of phthirus pubis.

General Disinfestation.—In collaboration with the Housing Department, 960 (1,102 in 1961) dwellings were subjected to insecticidal spray treatment; half of this number, i.e. 480 dwellings, were bug-infested slum properties with their contents, and the other half Corporation houses sprayed prophylactically to receive the slum dweller, whilst 8,137 articles were disinfested by steam. In this connection 1,705 (1,203 in 1961) visits were made, the houses inspected and, where verminous, disinfested before removal of the tenant.

40 Corporation houses, not so sprayed during the previous twelve months, became infested or re-infested by bed bug, usually introduced by some second-hand verminous article of furniture or bedding.

Woodworm infestations are important. It is now practice when inspecting houses prior to the transfer of the tenants to the Corporation houses to look for woodworm in the structure, or more important, in the furniture. 231 articles of furniture were fumigated by hydrogen cyanide and 13 removals were carried out in this connection.

A further 85 (72 in 1961) woodworm infestations were reported by Estate Offices, in addition to infestations by cockroaches, steamfly, clover mite, golden spider beetle, etc. Treatments were arranged to coincide with works of maintenance and 101 visits of inspection were made.

In addition to the regular disinfestation programme carried out for the Housing Department, other Corporation Departments took advantage of the facilities offered by the Disinfestation Section. Woodworm infestations in properties owned by the Waterworks Department, general disinfestation in schools for the Education Department, the treatment of geriatric patients and their homes for the Welfare Services Department, fly nuisances from the river for the Transport Department, sewage flies from the Knostrop Filter Beds for the City Engineer's Department, all were fitted in the heavy programme of the Centre.

The Leeds Hospital Groups and the United Leeds Hospitals contined to entrust their disinfestation problems to the Disinfestation Section, and a number of local authorities were given assistance, mainly in relation to woodworm control and bed bug eradication.

Methods of disinfestation vary according to the type and degree of infestation. Synthetic insecticides, mainly in solution, some in powder form, are in use. Low pressure steam is employed for the disinfestation of clothing, bedding and textiles generally. The volume of work is quite heavy—in connection with the re-housing programme 8,137 articles were disinfested, in connection with occupied Corporation properties 598 articles were disinfested. 2,996 miscellaneous articles were disinfested.

**General Disinfection.**—Disinfection carried out was mainly in connection with cases of tuberculosis, acute anterior poliomyelitis and diseases of the enteric group.

Assistance was given to Ilkley Urban District Council (at the Wharfedale Children's Hospital) in relation to the smallpox outbreak early in the year.

During the year 206 houses were visited, 364 rooms were disinfected by formaldehyde aerosol, 446 beds and 17,430 articles were disinfected by steam.

Steam is provided by a modern oil-fired and fully automatic plant which produces on an average 26,000 lbs. of steam per week. Only one high pressure steam disinfector for bacteriological disinfection is in use.

For all other purposes, formaldehyde disinfection is used. Produced by special apparatus, the aerosol form of this disinfectant has given excellent results and only when found to be too severe in its use, propylene glycol has taken its place for air disinfection. Chlorinated phenol, white and black disinfectant fluids complete a formidable array of disinfectants used at the Centre.

Medical Loan Requisites were distributed in collaboration with the Chest Clinic and disinfected on return. The articles loaned included blankets, sheets, pillow-cases, bedsteads and mattresses. 109 homes were visited, 210 articles delivered involving 653 miles of transport.

**Transport.**—The distribution of food supplements and stores to Infant Welfare Centres and Day Nurseries continued during the year. One stores van was maintained for this purpose and completed 10,025 miles.

Under the Medical Requisites Loan Scheme, the Section undertook the collection and delivery of invalid chairs, spinal carriages, mattresses, etc. which are stored at the Centre. 374 visits involving a total of 2,123 miles were made and each chair and carriage was thoroughly cleansed, disinfected and repaired, where necessary, before distribution.

Incontinent Laundry Service.—This is now well established and serves a maximum number of 40 patients per day. The service has been found to be a great help in home nursing patients suffering from incontinencies. They are visited daily and four clean draw sheets per patient exchanged for the previous day's soiled linen. The specially designed laundry van used for this purpose made 9,916 visits involving 18,749 miles.

The laundering was carried out at the South Lodge Laundry by arrangement with the Welfare Services Committee and included the repair of the sheets. The excellent co-operation of the Laundry Manager ensured a smooth running of the service, not always easy when the number of sheets fluctuated, especially at holiday periods.

**Public Conveniences.**—Three new public conveniences were added during the year, at Lincoln Green, Moortown and Kirkstall. Two public conveniences, both urinals, were closed.

The three squads are responsible for the general maintenance and cleanliness of the city's 55 conveniences. Only 5 conveniences in the centre of the city have attendants (one for males, one for females and three serving both sexes). The Crossgates convenience, for males and females, has attendants at certain hours of the day only.

During the year 22,096 visits were paid to the unattended conveniences for cleansing purposes. At the same time, defects and structural damage were reported to the Charge Officer. Wilful damage, which must be deplored, amounted to £607 3s. 4d. in unattended public conveniences, an increase of £206 on the previous year.

The maintenance of automatic electrical switches and emergency repairs are done by two men, trained by the City Lighting Department. Inspections are carried out daily and this service prevents accidents when lighting fails, especially important when a public convenience is below ground level and reached by a flight of steps. During 18,755 visits paid, 550 lighting repairs were effected.

Public Sewer Flushing.—This sub-section is equipped with motor vehicles and the necessary appliances such as flushing drain rods, drain plugs, smoke machine and a Mono Sludge Pump mounted on a trailer. The two squads work under the direction of public health inspectors in connection with (i) the cleansing of public sewers under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 23, (ii) the testing of drains in the investigation of unsatisfactory drainage conditions of a building as required under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 39, (iii) the removal of stoppages from drains, and (iv) the pumping-out of flooded cellars, inspection chambers, etc.

This service is used by other Corporation Departments, especially the Housing Department, City Engineer's Department, Markets Committee, Parks and Cemeteries Department, and also by private contractors and property owners. Contract work for the regular cleansing of drainage systems of private schools, several banks and some of the larger firms has been undertaken. Whereas the cost of cleansing of public sewers is a charge upon the Health Committee, the cost of all other works of cleansing, investigation and pumping is recovered from the ordering body.

The demand for this specialised work is on the increase and at times the two squads are fully booked for several days ahead. During the year 1,161 (1,076 in 1961) public sewers were cleansed; private drains tested and/or cleansed numbered 35,923 (34,071 in 1961).

By the establishment of this service the Health and Housing Committees have effected a substantial saving in the cost of public sewer cleansing and drainage investigations; there has also been a saving in time, stoppages being cleared in most instances on the day that they are reported.

### DISINFESTATION CENTRE REPORT OF WORK DONE FOR YEAR 1962.

## I. DISINFESTATION

Α	WORK	CARRIED	OUT	ΑТ	REQUEST	OF	HOUSING	DEPARTMENT
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(a) Re-Housing	Bed Bugs	Wood- Worm	Niptus	Others	Total
No. of visits of inspection	960 8,137	13 231		=	974 8,137 2 <b>5</b> 6
(b) General No. of visits of inspection	40 458 —	85 3	<del>7</del>	122 135 —	254 598 3
B. Work Carried out for other sources No. of visits of inspection 141 *No. of premises disinfested by insecticide No. of articles disinfested by steam No articles disinfested by HCN	86 907 —	47 81	$\frac{2}{37}$	640 2,089 78	775 2,996 196

\*For Outside Authorities I \*For Leeds 774 No. of wet articles dried 660

### 2. TREATMENT OF VERMINOUS PERSONS

					Age	Others	Total
(a) Pediculus Corporis No. of homes visited					_	_	27
No. of persons treated	• •	• •	••	• •	26	470	496
(b) Pediculus Capitis							
No. of homes visited					_	_	1,711
No. of persons treated				• •	1,701	150	1,851
No. of treatments involved					1,707	169	1,876
(c) Scabies							
No. of homes visited					_	_	432
No. of persons treated					209	385	594
No. of contacts treated					101	200	301
No. of re-infections					16	28	44

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3. DISINFECTION			1					
				Cit	у		Outsic Authorit	
No. of houses visited No. of rooms disinfected				_	50	I 4	Wards—	Hospital Smallpox
No. of beds disinfected No. of school toilets disinf No. of articles disinfected	ected			17,16	20 — 53	1 26 - - 26	'	, –Smallpo:
4. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE	S					o. of isits	No. of Drains	flushings   W.C.s.
Visits paid for cleansing I	purpos	es			22,	096	32,482	28,834
					T	otal	Lightin	Repairs
Visits paid for inspection emergency repairs			_	and 	18,	755	550	_
5. PUBLIC SEWERS								
5. PUDLIC SEWERS								
No. of public sewers clea No. of private drains tes		d clear			••		••	1,161 35,923
No. of public sewers clea					••	::		
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#### **SECTION 22**

#### CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

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Maternity and Child Welfare Centres.—There has been a further decrease in the number of expectant mothers attending the antenatal clinics and the number of children under five years attending infant clinics has also decreased during 1962. This slight downward trend may be due to the gradual expansion of the family doctor service. More general practitioners are accepting full responsibility for the ante-natal care of their patients; they are also, in some instances, arranging well-baby clinics for their own patients and the mothers tend to seek the advice of the family doctor where formerly they took the child to the infant welfare clinic.

The Leeds Health Authority continues to act as a central booking agency for maternity hospitals in the city and this encourages early attendance at the ante-natal clinics where medical supervision of the patient can be carried out until the last six weeks of pregnancy, if this is not undertaken by the general practitioner. It is an advantage to the mother to be able to attend her local clinic and this also helps to prevent overcrowding of the hospital clinics. There is, however, an increasing tendency for general practitioners to refer their patients direct to hospital and to undertake the ante-natal care of their patients booked for hospital confinement. In such cases the assessment of social need for hospital confinement is made by the Local Health Authority.

Welfare Foods.—National dried milk for infants and vitamin preparations for expectant and nursing mothers and children under five years were still sold at the clinics. There has been a lessening demand since the increase in price of dried milk and since cod liver oil and vitamin tablets are no longer supplied free of charge. This downward trend has unfortunately continued. Where the diet is

inadequate, particularly in the case of some coloured children, the lack of sufficient additional vitamins, especially Vitamin D, may be serious. There have already been one or two cases of mild rickets detected in young children.

Educational Work.—A certain amount of health education in the clinics has been carried out by the health visitors and midwives, with organised discussion groups and demonstrations. Dental hygienists have continued to visit the clinics in rotation to advise mothers in the proper care of their own and their children's teeth.

Demonstrations on foot health for children were held at a number of clinics through the courtesy of a firm of manufacturers of children's shoes.

A series of practical demonstrations of weaning diet of infants was also given and appreciated by the mothers.

Leeds Babies' Welcome Association.—Members have continued to give their regular and valuable help in the clinics as voluntary workers. They assist with routine clerical work, in some clinics undertake the weighing of the children and organise play corners for toddlers, are responsible for the sale of knitting wool, baby clothes and fireguards, and at all times they help to maintain a friendly atmosphere in the clinics. Members have also continued their efforts for "Safety in the Home" and guarding against accidents, particularly burns and scalds of young children. Special efforts have been made by the Association to facilitate the purchase of flameproof material for children's garments and to urge mothers to procure this material. The main obstacle to its wider use is the material's high cost.

Ante-Natal Clinics.—By 31st December, 1962, there were 186 ante-natal sessions held per month at 22 clinics. The number of expectant mothers attending the clinics during the year was 7,392, a decrease of 661; of this total 5,014 were new cases. The total number of attendances at all clinics was 27,076, a decrease of 2,038. In addition to the ante-natal sessions at which the clinic doctor was in attendance, there were 108 sessions per month carried out by municipal midwives, in some instances along with the general practitioner, for their patients booked for home confinement.

**Post-Natal Clinics.**—There have been 17 post-natal sessions per month held at 9 clinics. The number of mothers who attended was 666 with a total number of attendances of 729. The majority of mothers attend the hospital or their private doctor for post-natal examination.

Infant Clinics.—There were 28 clinics in operation at the end of the year at which 244 sessions were held per month. One clinic at Farnley had to be closed during the year owing to the premises becoming unuseable. An additional clinic commenced at Cookridge in November, 1962, with one session per week. The number of infants under one year attending the clinics for the first time was 6,206, an increase of 160. During the year 3,969 children between one and two years attended and 3,369 children between two and five years, decreases of 268 and 185 respectively, making the total number of children attending 13,384 with 78,349 attendances made, a decrease of 453 in the total number of children and a decrease of 2,105 in the total attendances.

Consultative Infant Clinics.—The arrangements with the University Department of Pædiatrics and Child Health continued, and three consultative infant clinics were held each month. The total number of attendances of children under five years was 92.

**Physiotherapy.**—The number of children referred during the year for examination by the Orthopædic Consultant was 177, a decrease of 6 on the number referred in 1961.

Artificial Sunlight.—This was given to 339 children during the year and the total number of attendances at six infant welfare centres was 4,578. These figures show a decrease of 4 in the number of children attending but an increase of 207 attendances compared with those for 1961.

Remedial Exercises.—A total of 201 children attended for exercises with 2,289 attendances, a decrease of 17 in the number of children in 1961.

Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Classes.—These exercise classes for expectant and nursing mothers were held at 8 welfare centres. These classes and the group discussions on pregnancy and childbirth with the physiotherapist and in some instances along with the midwife are much appreciated by the mothers who attend. There were 578 mothers who attended ante-natal classes and the total number of attendances was 2,889. These figures show an increase for 1962 of 186 and 857 respectively.

Eye Defects.—Children classified as Blind or Partially Blind.—There were 6 blind children and one partially sighted child, under five years, on the register on 31st December, 1961. There were 2 children notified as possibly blind during 1962 but not so far registered. Of these, one was removed from the register on reaching five years of age, leaving 5 children registered as blind, 2 possibly blind and one partially sighted, on 31st December, 1962. All children remained in their own homes except one who is in a residential nursery. There were no admissions to Sunshine Homes.

Any child under five years attending the infant welfare clinics who is found to have a squint or other eye defect is referred to the ophthalmic consultant at the school clinic, thus providing continuity of supervision and treatment for such cases.

During 1962 the number of children seen by the consultant for the first time was 147; in addition, 84 children re-attended for further consultation, making a total of 231 children examined. This is a decrease of 14 on the number seen in 1961.

**Hearing Defects.**—After screening tests for deafness had been carried out by the health visitors, II children were referred for ascertainment of deafness to the School Medical Service Deaf Clinic.

Congenital Abnormalities associated with Thalidomide.—At the request of the Ministry of Health, an investigation was made of children born during 1960, 1961 and up to 31st August, 1962, who were known to have certain congenital deformities or abnormalities, to ascertain, if possible, whether the mother had taken any drug containing Thalidomide during pregnancy.

It was found that 12 children had reduction deformities of the limbs to a greater or lesser degree and 3 had microtia. In only 2 cases had the mother certainly taken Thalidomide during pregnancy. Both these children had major deformities of the limbs.

Care of Premature Infants.—Between 1st January and 31st December, 1962, there were 685 live births notified of infants weighing  $5\frac{1}{2}$  lbs or less at birth. Of these, 570 were born in hospital or nursing home in the city and 115 were born at home. Of those born at home, 47 were removed to hospital and the remaining 68 nursed at home.

The number of infants who died within 24 hours of birth was 69; of these 64 were born in hospital. Of the 5 born at home, 4 were transferred to hospital and one died at home.

Of the 68 infants nursed at home, 63 received special nursing care by the premature baby midwives, with a total of 1,277 home visits.

As well as nursing infants born at home, the premature baby midwives undertook the after-care of 511 infants requiring further nursing care after discharge from Leeds Maternity Hospital, St. James's and St. Mary's Hospitals. Home visits to these cases totalled 6,463. These figures show increases of 18 and 1,249 respectively as compared with 1961.

In October, 1962, an "Oxygenaire" portable incubator was purchased to provide better means of transport of premature babies to hospital.

Provision for the Care of the Unmarried Mother and her Child.—
The three homes in the city run by voluntary organisations continued to admit Leeds cases recommended by the Health Committee and for whom the Committee accept financial responsibility for a period of three to four months. In exceptional circumstances Leeds cases may be admitted to voluntary homes outside Leeds, or to Bradford Local Health Authority Home. During 1962 admissions to these homes decreased by 12 compared with 1961. There is increasing reluctance of some girls to stay in the Home for the recommended period of three to four months,

Mother and Baby Home	No. of mothers admitted
Mount Cross Salvation Army Home,	
Leeds	20
St. Margaret's Roman Catholic Home,	•
Leeds	15
Browning House, Church of England	
Home, Leeds	18
Bradford Local Authority Home	
Other homes	I
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Total	54
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Day Nurseries.—There was rather less demand for admission of children to the day nurseries and only one nursery had a waiting list. Priority was still given to children where social or economic circumstances necessitated the mother going to work, or, in a few cases, where the mother was dead or had deserted the family. Except in the special cases mentioned above, no child attended a nursery unless the mother was in regular employment. All the nurseries are approved training nurseries for the National Nursery Examination Board Certificate.

Infections in the nurseries, while not serious, still prove troublesome, particularly Sonne dysentery. There were slight outbreaks of this in six nurseries during the year.

PLACES AND ATTENDANCES AT DAY NURSERIES

	No. of Places	Daily Attendance per 5 day week	Total Number of Attendances
DAY NURSERIES Quarry Hill Blenheim Lodge Harehills Hunslet Hall Armley Meanwood Burley Park  Totals	50 50 50 50 55 55 75	36·8 35·3 35·7 38·9 36·0 34·2 41·1	9,387 8,899 9,017 9,979 9,116 8,865 10,413
% attendance		67.0%	

Convalescence.—During 1962, 41 mothers and 45 children under five years were referred by the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics for convalescence at the Leeds Health Authority's Southport Home.

Adoption Act, 1950.—Liaison between the Care of Children Department and the Health Department has been maintained. Notice is received of all children under five years placed with a view to adoption through the Children's Officer and the health visitor visits the child in the home of the prospective adopter each month. A report is sent to the Children's Officer on the care and progress of the child.

Medical examination of the children is carried out at the infant welfare clinics or by the private doctor and blood tests are taken prior to the child being placed for adoption. In this connection 69 mothers and 120 children had blood tests carried out. The comparative figures for 1961 were 68 and 126 respectively.

Nurseries and Child Minders Act, 1948.—During the year 32 applications were received for registration as child minders; no additional day nurseries were registered.

The following table shows the number of registered daily minders and registered nurseries, together with the permitted number of children minded:—

	Child Minders	Nurseries
No. on register at 31st December, 1961 Permitted No. of children at 31st Dec-	47	13
ember, 1961	287	475
No. registered during the year	32	
No. of applications refused		
No. of registrations cancelled	10	
No. on register at 31st December, 1962	69	13
Permitted No. of children at 31st December, 1962	395	480

Registered Nursing Homes.—The following table gives particulars of registered nursing homes in the city:—

#### REGISTERED NURSING HOMES.

	1									
	Mate	rnity	Mate	Maternity and General			eral	Total		
				No. of	Beds	., ,			No. of	Beds
	No. of Homes		No. of Homes	Mat'y	Gen.	No. of Homes		No. of Homes	Mat'y	Gen.
Existing at 31st Dec., 1961	3	65				6	86	9	65	86
Registration approved during										
Registration cancelled or surrendered during 1962										
Existing at 31st Dec., 1962	3	* 65				6	86	9	65	86

<sup>\*</sup> Figure includes ante-natal and post-natal beds in two mother and baby homes (Mount Cross and St. Margaret's). Actual number of lying-in maternity beds is 25.

Nursing Agencies Act, 1957.—The licence of one nursing agency was renewed. One new agency was registered subject to certain requirements being met. One registration was cancelled as the agency ceased to function.

Children Neglected or Ill-Treated in their Homes.—The Coordinating Committee comprised of representatives of the Public Health, Education, Housing, Welfare Services, Probation, Police, Mental Health and Care of Children Departments, Inspectors of the N.S.P.C.C. and a representative of the recently established Family Service Unit, has met regularly each month to consider significant cases of children neglected or ill-treated in their own homes. In each case the needs of the family as a whole are considered and agreement reached as to how local services, both statutory and voluntary, can best be applied to meet these needs.

During 1962, 36 new cases involving 141 children were considered and each case referred to the statutory or voluntary body best fitted to deal with the problems. In addition, 11 cases previously notified were re-considered.

The following table shows some of the contributory factors affecting the cases considered and emphasises the complexity of the problems confronting the case workers.

Parental Factors noted in the 36 cases of neglect considered during 1962.

1           1           1           1
Totals 3 7 3 9 15 12 20 8 12 1 3 5 98

The following table shows the number of cases notified and the notifying agencies:—

#### Number of Cases

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	19 <b>5</b> 7	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Probation	2		1	2	2	2		1	2	2	4	
N.S.P.C.C	44	21	6	10	4	3	3	2	5	3	6	6
Police	24	5	8	2	6	7	I	10	2	9	4	5
Health	II	12	4	6		6	21	10	12	9	4	12
Housing	7	5	2	2	2	2	2	I	2	3	5	5
Care of												
Children	1	5	5	II	1	10	2	4	I	5	2	2
Education	7	3	4	4	3	2	1			2	2	3
Welfare												
Services	1				I		I	1	7		I	
Miscellaneous	7	I	2	I			4	4		4	2	3
F.S.U.							٠.				I	
Mental Health											I	
					_					-		
	104	52	32	38	19	32	35	33	31	37	32	36*

\*Plus 11 cases re-considered.

Note: Total cases in twelve years=481.

Dental Care of Mothers and Young Children (Report of Mr. J. Miller, L.D.S., Senior Dental Officer).—The following tables show the work carried out during 1962:—

## WORK OF DENTAL OFFICERS

		Expectant Mothers	Nursing Mothers
No. of inspection invitations	••	858	15
No. of inspection attendances No. found dentally fit No. accepted treatment No. refused treatment		405 22 320 63	 
Total No. of teeth filled Type of filling given:— Synthetic porcelain Cement		243 39 1 41 163 244	5 3  2 1 6
Total No. of teeth extracted  """, persons fitted with dentures  """, other treatments  """, local anæsthetics  """, general anæsthetics  """, treatment sessions  """, inspection sessions  """, attendances for treatment  """, persons made dentally fit			95 65 7 3 21 79 22 229 54

## Numbers Provided with Dental Care

	Number examined	Number found to need treatment	Number treated	Number made dentally fit
Expectant and Nursing Mothers	405	383	380	79
Children under 5 years	252	130	100	33

## FORMS OF DENTAL TREATMENT PROVIDED

						Expectant and Nursing Mothers	Children under 5 years
Extractions Anæsthetics:-		•••			•••	601	175
Local						210	
General						97	96
Fillings						260	61
Scalings or sca	aling a	and Gu	ım Tre	atment		243	
Radiographs Dentures prov	ided :-	_			•	6	
Complete						90	) · · ·
Partial	••	••	••	••	• •	53	

## Pre-School Clinic

Number	examined	 			141
	free from caries				74
,,	treated by fillings				44
11	,, ,, extraction		• •	• •	15
11	defective but not treated	 		• •	21

## WORK OF ORAL HYGIENISTS

			Expectant Mothers	Nursing Mothers
No.	of attendances		243	
٠,,	,, scalings	 	243	
,,	,, treatment sessions .	 ]	70	) <del>]</del>
	hygiene lecture sessions		107	7
,,	,, individuals treated .	 	117	
	made dentally fit	]	117	
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#### **SECTION 23**

#### **MIDWIFERY**

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The Maternity Liaison Committee, established in March, 1961, has continued to meet and proved valuable in co-ordinating the three parts of the Maternity Services. The Cranbrook Committee thought that there should be sufficient maternity beds to allow 70 per cent. of confinements to take place in hospital. Although the number of beds in the three city maternity units almost satisfy this recommendation, requests for hospital confinement outnumber the available beds but no mother is refused a hospital bed if there is any medical, obstetric or social reason necessitating hospital confinement. Home circumstances are always investigated and reported on by a midwife before any mother is asked to arrange a home confinement. There is an increasing tendency towards early discharge from hospital, partly to relieve the bed situation and partly as a definite policy in suitable cases for planned 48-hour discharge.

The importance of the follow-up of defaulters from the antenatal clinics is stressed and the domiciliary midwives assist the hospital service by home visits to patients who have failed to attend the clinics.

In the domiciliary service there is good co-operation between the family doctor and the midwife. The midwife ensures that the patient books a doctor for maternity medical services. This arrangement prevents the doctor being called in emergency knowing nothing of the patient, and such cases now rarely occur. Unfortunately many patients in the "at risk" groups insist on home confinement in spite of advice by the midwife. This particularly applies to the multipara over 35 years of age who has already had four or more children. When the family doctor undertakes the ante-natal supervision of his patient, he frequently uses the local health authority clinics for blood tests, chest X-rays and other facilities such as ante-natal exercise classes.

Midwifery Training—Part II.—The training school at Redcourt Hostel continues to attract applicants from Part I training schools in different parts of the country. The fact that the whole of the six months' training is taken in district work is found by the pupil midwives to give them greater experience in normal midwifery and a wider knowledge of social conditions. This is particularly valuable to the midwife who intends to practise district midwifery. Training is under the supervision of the midwifery tutor who is superintendent of the training school. 26 domiciliary midwives are approved by the Central Midwives' Board as teachers of pupil midwives; 3 of these were approved during the year. The teacher midwives work in close liaison with the midwifery tutor. They instruct the pupils in their practical work, each midwife being responsible for training one or two pupil midwives.

During the year 41 pupil midwives completed their training, 5 more than in 1961. Of these, 37 passed the Part II examination of the Central Midwives' Board at the first attempt, and 3 at the second attempt. On 31st December, 1962, there were 21 pupil midwives in training.

Notified Births.—During the year 9,769 births were notified. Of these 6,710 (68.6 per cent.) took place in hospitals or nursing homes and 3,059 (31.3 per cent.) were domiciliary cases. The comparative figures for 1961 were:—hospital cases 67.2 per cent. and home confinements 32.8 per cent. 3,058 (99.9 per cent.) of the domiciliary births were notified by midwives.

Notification of Intention to Practise.—203 midwives notified their intention to practise during the year. Of these, 113 were employed in hospitals, 19 in nursing homes, 6 as private midwives and 65 were employed by the local authority. By 31st December, 1962, there were 160 midwives practising in the city; 42 of the total number who had notified their intention to practise had left the service or moved elsewhere and one midwife died.

Domiciliary Midwifery Service.—The average number of midwives employed by the Local Health Authority in domiciliary work throughout the year was 47 full-time and 7 part-time. During the year 2 midwives retired, 7 resigned, one died and 8 new appointments were made. On 31st December, 1962, there were 47 domiciliary midwives working full-time including the four midwives undertaking the nursing care of premature babies. The 7 part-time midwives were employed principally in the nursing care of patients discharged from hospital before the tenth day of the puerperium and also in home visits to assess social need for hospital booking, or suitability for early discharge from hospital. The number of domiciliary births attended by municipal midwives during the year was 3,058 or 31·3 per cent. of the total births notified. The comparative figures for 1961 were 3,053 or 32·6 per cent.

To comply with statutory requirements, 8 midwives attended approved refresher courses. In addition, 2 midwives attended a special course in relaxation, parent-craft and group teaching. One midwife obtained the Midwife Teacher's Diploma.

The following table is a summary of work done by the domiciliary midwives during 1961 and 1962:—

				1961	1962
Ante-natal visits				23,740	20,931
Attendance at birth				3,053	3,058
Post-natal visits				43,959	47,488
Bookings				2,930	3,934
Attendance by patients	s at n	nidwife	's		
clinics				26,814	26,297
No. of patients who ha	d Gas	Air or			
Trilene analgesia	• •	• •		2,818or	2,394 or
				92.3%	90.8%
Social investigations					2,042

Of the 47,488 post-natal visits paid by the midwives in 1962, 5,211 were to patients discharged from hospital before the tenth day of the puerperium.

Analgesia.—All municipal midwives are qualified to administer Gas/Air and Trilene analgesia and each midwife is provided with the approved apparatus. Every expectant mother who books a municipal midwife is given the opportunity of having analgesia at her confinement unless her doctor certifies her as medically unfit. Of the 3,058 patients attended by municipal midwives 2,776 or 90.8 per cent. were given either Trilene and/or Gas/Air analgesia. In 19 cases only, Gas/Air analgesia was used. Pethidine is also given by the midwife when advisable and was given to 1,072 patients.

Maternity Outfits.—A sterilised and sealed outfit containing all dressings required at the confinement, as specified by the Ministry of Health, is provided by the Local Health Authority for every case attended by a municipal midwife. Outfits are also available for domiciliary confinements attended by private midwives or maternity nurses, and for Leeds cases in mother and baby homes; in two private maternity homes they can be obtained for Leeds patients. During 1962, 392 outfits were supplied through Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics for such patients.

Medical Assistance.—Medical assistance was called for in 914 domiciliary cases where a doctor had been booked. There were 6 notifications of emergencies under Section 14 of the Midwives Act, 1951, compared with 13 for the previous year and 7 claims for payment for attendance were received from medical practitioners.

Supervision of Midwives.—The domiciliary municipal midwives were interviewed each week at the Health Department by the non-medical Supervisor of Midwives. She made 117 visits to see the midwives in their homes and at their cases, and, in addition, paid 210 special visits.

#### **SECTION 24**

#### **HEALTH VISITING**

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The health visitors made 160,570 visits in 1962. The following table gives comparable figures of the work done in 1961 and 1962.

	1961	1962
Notified births, and children under		
5 years	115,041	121,670
Children over 5 years	549	583
Stillbirths	120	117
Deaths of children under 5 years	103	183
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	12*	8*
Expectant Mothers	3,297	3,357
Adoption visits	100*	83*
Child Minders	349*	417*
Day Nursery admissions and absentees		44*
Tuberculous households	6,464	5,879
Housing reports	849	869
Research Enquiries and adults not		
classified	3,245	3,890
Cases discharged from hospital		
Home Help investigations	17	10
Ineffectual visits	22,406	23,460
Total visits for the year	152,091	160,570

<sup>\*</sup>included in visits to children under 5 years.

The total number of visits paid by the health visitors in 1962 was 8,479 higher than the total for 1961. There was an increase of 6,629 visits to children under 5 years. Unfortunately the number of ineffectual or "no access" visits has also increased by 954 as compared with those for 1961.

There were no vacancies on the staff during the year; three additional appointments were made but demands on the service were only met because the health visitors have developed a highly selective system of visiting and have been very careful to avoid unnecessary visits. There was a slight increase in the number of expectant mothers visited. An increasing number of registered child minders in the city necessitated more supervisory visits in this category; there were 417 visits in 1962 compared with 349 in 1961 and 269 in 1960. Health visitors continued to assist with the practical training of health visitor and other students, on the district and in the clinics.

Further information about the work of the health visitors is given in the sections of the Report relating to Health Education and Care and After-Care.

#### HEALTH VISITOR TRAINING

BY

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During the academic year 1961-62, 48 students took part in the Health Visitors' Training Course at the University of Leeds. Of these, 13 were Leeds assisted students who had been carefully selected from the many applications received. For various reasons it had been decided that, this year, the organisation of the course should revert to the system whereby theoretical and practical work are undertaken concurrently and therefore two days of each week were reserved for practical instruction.

The aim of the first term's work was to introduce students to the normal aspects of health visiting and this purpose was fulfilled both in theoretical teaching and field work. The two days allocated each week to practical tuition were spent with experienced health visitors and school nurses, both in Leeds and in nearby local authorities who willingly co-operated in instructing the students.

In the second term consideration was given to deviations from the normal whilst still maintaining a lively concern for those facets of life which make for everyday healthy living. Practical work still included health visiting but was widened to give an insight into the work of Child Care Officers, Mental Health Workers and Welfare Officers. Members of the local authority departments concerned were most helpful in assisting with these aspects of training and the instruction enabled students to apply the knowledge gained from theoretical teaching.

The third term, culminating in the examination in July, was spent consolidating and integrating the work of the two previous terms with the addition of some new material which completed the overall comprehensive pattern. At the same time, students undertook teaching practice on selected topics and made many group visits of observation.

In the examination 46 students passed at the first attempt, all the Leeds students being successful.

In August Miss F. M. Mawson retired after fourteen years as Health Visitor Tutor. She received many tributes from past and present students who owe much to her expert guidance and teaching.

#### **SECTION 25**

#### HOME NURSING

BY

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The following tables give the sources and classification of new cases treated during 1962, with comparative figures for 1960 and 1961. It will be seen that there has been a decrease of 654 new patients and 2,226 visits as compared with 1961.

## Sources of Cases 1960-62

	1960	1961	1962
General practitioners	5,268 2,070	4,989 2,292	4,739 1,871
tives, etc	139	139	156
Totals	7,477	7,420	6,766

## Classification of Cases 1960-62

	1960		19	61	1962		
Classification	New Cases	Visits	New Cases	Visits	New Cases	Visits	
Medical	5,191	188,981	5,038	180,831	4,619	179,536	
Surgical	1,635	33,279	1,811	37,877	1,590	37,857	
Children under							
5 years	528	4,724	458	4,095	446	3,959	
Pneumonia	57	672	42	493	30	284	
Tuberculosis	27	1,747	25	1,299	18	598	
Maternal							
complications	36	317	39	393	57	545	
Ophthalmia							
neonatorum Infectious	I	2	I	3			
diseases	2	12	6	59	6	45	
uiscases		12		39		43	
Totals	7,477	229,734	7,420	225,050	6,766	222,824	
	7,777	77731	1,1-	3,-3			

Of the 6,766 patients, 2,578 have received injection treatment of various types necessitating 104,583 visits.

During the year 3,051 patients aged 65 years and over have been nursed and received 138,568 visits as compared with 3,191 patients and 136,234 visits during 1961.

The following tables give the number of patients nursed aged 65 and over and tuberculous patients nursed:—

	Patients	Visits
1960	3,290	138,846
1961	3,191	136,234
1962	3,051	138,568

		Tub	erculous	Patients Nurs
			Patients	Visits
1960	• •	• •	27	1,747
1961	• •	• •	25	1,299
1962			18	598

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Staff.—The nursing staff is as follows:-

			Full-time	Part-time	Staff in terms of full-time
December,	1960 .	 •	54	10	59
"	1961		63	14	70
,,	1962		64	II	$69\frac{1}{2}$

There are 14 motor cars available for use in the more distant areas of the city.

Training.—Training for the National Certificate in District Nursing continued during the year. A course was held from January to April for 8 students, all of whom were successful in the examination. A further course with 7 students started in September,

Medical Requisites Loan Scheme.—The arrangements for the loan of sick-room equipment and medical and surgical requisites have been operated from the depot at Market Buildings. During the year 2,448 articles were loaned as compared with 2,668 in the previous year, and 2,388 returned as against 2,567. There were 4,380 applications for extensions of loan periods and 458 persons defaulted with regard to the conditions of loan.

## CLASSIFICATION OF MEDICAL REQUISITES

	Arti	cles			Loaned	Returned
Air rings			 		424	424
Bed pans			 		582	579
Mackintosh sheets			 		591	576
Back rests			 		323	324
Urinals			 		199	205
Cradles			 		118	119
Commodes			 		87	70
Crutches			 		10	7
Douche outfits			 		I	í
Polystrene blocks			 		3	
Rubber bed pans			 		3 6	5
Bed trays and table			 		I	
Dunlopillo mattress		cover	 		10	4
T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T			 		40	37
Bedstead with chair	n and	pulley	 		10	4
Dietary scales		·	 		I	
Hydraulic hoist			 		4	3
			 		13	7
Sani-chair			 			I
Single bed			 		5	5
Mattress			 		7	5
Bed with cot sides			 		Ï	I
Walking sticks			 		2	I
Ripple bed on hire			 		2	4
Walking aid			 		6	4
Sputum mugs			 		2	2
			 	-		
Тс	otals	••	 		2,448	2,388

#### **SECTION 26**

#### **VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION**

BY

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In February of this year the Minister of Health made oral poliomyelitis vaccine available to local health authorities for use in the routine vaccination of all persons over six months and under 40 years of age and certain others at special risk. The recommended course of this vaccine consists of three doses, each of three drops, given at intervals of four to eight weeks. The vaccine can be administered on a lump of sugar or in syrup (B.P.). It can also be used as a third dose for persons who have had two injections of "Salk" vaccine and as a reinforcing dose for children aged 5 to 12 years who have had three injections of "Salk" vaccine. The issue and use of the vaccine commenced on 1st March, 1962.

The number of doses of oral vaccine given up to the end of the year was 55,269, of which 35,052 were given by general practitioners.

The number of injections against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, poliomyelitis, smallpox, etc., given during the year was 119,735, of which 29,062 were given by the Public Health Department staff, 18,656 by the School Health Service staff and 72,017 by general practitioners.

Nearly 10,000 persons queued outside the Central Clinic and the Central Clinic Annexe in Park Square for smallpox vaccination on the two days 15th and 16th January, following the start of the smallpox epidemic in Bradford. Doctors and staff had to be augmented to cope with the rush. **Poliomyelitis Vaccination.**—The following table shows the progress of the vaccination scheme since 1956 ("Salk" vaccine only).

Year of Birth		Number of persons vaccinated with 2 injections											
DITU	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	Total					
1920-32 1933-42 1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949. 1950. 1951. 1952. 1953. 1954. 1954. 1956. 1957. 1958. 1959. 1959.	345 339 311 302 216 53 61 27	27 21 27 37 2,573 2,315 1,980 1,835 879 514 538 407 7	1,445 3,063 4,379 4,155 5,419 3,376 2,989 2,957 3,002 3,899 4,067 2,337 2,214 2,393 2,214 2,393 2,516 385	19,738 743 889 836 1,197 1,096 968 872 867 897 1,007 1,653 1,791 1,845 2,058 2,724 4,043 518	6,641 3,861 122 91 61 74 83 95 109 95 125 297 324 314 353 470 1,023 3,445 544	8,080 4,299 189 136 126 199 175 215 209 224 231 494 546 501 552 616 799 1,472 4,540 666	716 488 30 19 11 20 34 29 21 26 27 28 40 50 55 57 57 54 65 97 342	15,437 29,858 4,188 5,588 5,226 6,873 7,706 6,910 6,446 6,350 6,237 6,025 5,441 5,362 5,477 5,820 6,387 6,315 5,532 5,532					
Expectant		::		::			727	1,393					
mothers Other groups		4	988 405	2,749 394	16	51	*	3,741 867					
Totals	1,654	12,175	52,192	46,885	18,233	24,529	2,956	158,624					

<sup>\*</sup>Expectant mothers included in the respective years of birth.

The total for 1962 includes 2,375 by general practitioners. 3,371 third injections were given, including 2,875 by general practitioners. The number of children given fourth injections was 135, of which 128 were given by general practitioners.

*Oral Vaccine*.—The following table gives the number of persons who have received 3 doses of oral vaccine since 1st March, 1962:—

#### ORAL VACCINE

Year of birth	1			vaccinated nce 1.3.62)
1922-32		 	2,694	
1933-42		 	1,699	
1943-60		 	4,375	
1961		 	2,755	
1962		 	536	
Tota	1	 	12,059	

(Expectant mothers are now included in respective age groups.)

The total includes 7,945 by general practitioners. 14,133 third doses of oral vaccine were given to complete treatment after two "Salk" injections, including 8,716 by general practitioners. The number of children given reinforcing doses of oral vaccine after three "Salk" injections was 4,959 of which 2,501 were given by general practitioners.

## Percentages of Persons under 20 Years of Age Vaccinated Against Poliomyelitis

Year of birth	1962	1961	1943-60	1943-62
Percentage vaccinated	5.8	46.6	76.7	71.0

Smallpox Vaccination.—Numbers of vaccinations and revaccinations performed during the year are shown in the following table:—

	Under	I-4	5-14	15 and	1962	1961
	1 year	years	years	over	Total	Total
Vaccinated (a) (b) Re-vaccinated	262	967	586	2,954	4,769	1,719
	2,993	3,459	4,747	6,176	17,375	2,852
(a)	4	136	659	7,832	8,631	767
(b)		1,170	8,423	23,112	32,705	865
Totals	3,259	5,732	14,415	40,074	63,480	6,203

- (a) by clinic staff.
- (b) by general practitioners,

The smallpox outbreak in Bradford during January was responsible for the increase in the numbers done this year. During that month alone, 17,748 primary vaccinations and 37,148 revaccinations were performed; 45,279 of them were done by general practitioners and 9,617 by the Central Clinic staff. Although the policy now is to vaccinate during the second year of life, many babies were vaccinated from the age of three months onward because of the occurrence of smallpox.

From the returns of primary vaccinations in infants, it is estimated that approximately 35·4 per cent. of the infant population born between July, 1961, and June, 1962, has been protected.

Six cases of eczema vaccinatum or generalised vaccinia were reported during the year, together with one case of post-vaccinal encephalitis, all during the period when large numbers of vaccinations were being carried out following the smallpox outbreak. Four of the cases of eczema vaccinatum occurred in persons with a history of eczema and followed primary vaccination or accidental cross-infection from a vaccinated person. All seven cases recovered from the complications of vaccination, although one subsequently died from another condition from which she was suffering.

ISSUE OF PROPHYLACTIC MATERIAL TO PRACTITIONERS

Material	1961	1962
Diphtheria (T.A.F.)	1,366 doses	627 doses
Diphtheria (F.T.)	1,547 ,,	415 ,,
Combined diphtheria and whooping cough	1,941 ,,	. 333 ,,
Whooping cough vaccine	1,043 ,,	1,104 ,,
Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis	14,574 ,,	11,656 ,,
Combined diphtheria and tetanus	1,877 ,,	1,073 ,,
Combined whooping cough and tetanus	378 ,,	42 ,,
Tetanus only	2,685 ,,	3,467 ,,
Polio vaccine—" Salk"	50,598 ,,	6,777 ,,
Polio vaccine—oral		72,115 ,,

Diphtheria Immunisation.—The percentage of children under 5 years immunised against diphtheria was 64·2 as compared with last year's figure of 64·8 per cent.

During the year a diphtheria immunisation campaign was launched in schools in order to bring up-to-date the immunisation state of school children. As a result 2,986 young children were given the full course of injections for protection against diphtheria and tetanus and 8,981 diphtheria booster doses and 717 diphtheria/tetanus boosters were also given. All these injections were given by the staff of the School Health Service and the large amount of preliminary sorting of cards was also carried out by the School Health Service.

The following table shows the extent of diphtheria immunisation work during the year.

Prophylactic	Clinic do	ctors:—	General	
	I.W.C.'s	Schools	Practurs.	Total
Diphtheria only Diphtheria/Tetanus Diphtheria/	10 1,122	2,986	110	120 4,221
Whooping Cough Whooping Cough/	I		121	122
Tetanus	4 2,242	 	32 3,155	36 5,397
only	300		85 720	86 1,020
Total protected against Diphtheria	3,375	2,986	3,499	9,860
Total protected against Whooping Cough	2,248		3,393	5,641
Total protected against Tetanus	3,668	2,986	4,020	10,674
Refresher Doses:— Diphtheria only Diphtheria/Tetanus Diphtheria/	110 84	8,981 717	657 204	9,748 1,005
Whooping Cough Triple Antigen Whooping Cough/	756		81 320	81 1,076
Tetanus Whooping Cough only		••		
Tetanus only	208	::	378	586

Estimates of the Child Population immunised against Diphtheria.—Estimates of the child population immunised against diphtheria at 31st December, 1962, and in previous years are shown in the following table.

v	ear		Percentage in age group										
_ ^	I cai		o-4 years	1-4 years	5-14 years	o-14 years							
1952			72.5	79.3	94.5	86.4							
1953			70.5	78·o	94.0	85.8							
1954		• • •	67.1	73.3	96∙1	86.1							
1955			65.2	72.2	95.0	85·o							
1956			64.0	70.6	94.3	84.2							
1957			61.0	66.9	94.5	83.3							
1958			59.6	65.0	93.6	82 · 1							
1959			58.8	62.7	91.5	80.4							
1960			59.3	62.8	90.6	79•7							
1961			64.8	76.9	89.8	81.0							
1962			64.2	75.8	94.9	83.7							

The table on page 88 shows the progress of the diphtheria immunisation scheme since its inception.

Whooping Cough Immunisation.—The following table shows the progress of whooping cough immunisation since 1947. The percentage of children under 5 years protected is approximately 70 per cent.

		Number immunised
Year		against
		Whooping Cough
1947	 	975
1948	 	908
1949	 	1,016
1950	 	1,537
1951	 	3,801
1952	 	3,892
1953	 	4,877
1954	 	5,276
1955	 	4,593
1956	 	5,238
1957	 	4,894
1958	 	6,504
1959	 	6,102
1960	 	6,099
1961	 	8,269
1962	 	5,641

Inoculations for Travellers going Overseas.—The number and type of inoculations are shown below (for completed courses).

Smallpox vaccination ... 2,604
T.A.B. .. .. ... 251 (and 6 refreshers)
Cholera ... ... 206 (and 8 refreshers)
Tetanus ... ... 165 (and 14 refreshers)
Typhus ... ... 13 (and 1 refresher)
Yellow Fever ... 726

After the smallpox outbreaks which occurred in this country in the early part of the year, many countries laid down requirements for vaccination for travellers which they do not usually impose. As a result a large number of smallpox vaccinations were needed by Leeds residents going abroad on business or pleasure and at one time special extra clinics had to be held.

Other Work undertaken by the Department.—During November, 81 anti-influenza injections were given to certain members of the staff.

Examination of Convalescents.—During the year 516 applicants for convalescence, including 408 children, were medically examined.

**Voluntary Workers.**—We are grateful to the Ladies of the Leeds Babies' Welcome Association for assistance at immunisation clinics.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

Illustrating the progress of the Immunisation Scheme since its inception.

Number of Persons in Age Groups, having had Full Course of Injections.

	,																		
Total	Total	under 5 years	at end of 1962	26,971	ſ		Total	5-10 years	31,758	ĺ		Total	10-15 years	37,345		Total	147,866 Total	age not known 958	244,898
1962	1,925	3,132	487	150	121	264	870	803	718	200	511	158	6	+	က	23		:	098'6
1961	2,202	4,206	785	356	272	339	343	342	297	193	86	52	19	13	ro.	-G		:	9,527
1960	3,815	1,325	274	189	130	150	202	208	118	69	40	34	19	13	∞	00		:	209'9
1959	3,669	1,277	285	135	98	29	96	96	35	18	23	6	5	9	11	10		:	5,820
1958	3,247	1,506	211	103	19	195	194	66	43	34	13	18	14	12	24	13		:	5,808
1957	3,177	1,413	208	111	20	288	262	117	68	62	41	27	9	23	87	œ		:	5,904
1956	3,077	1,857	266	142	102	301	387	174	101	79	55	26	33	21	29	10		:	6,660
1955	2,678	1,658	247	128	102	338	393	217	133	82	52	40	43	4.	41	ø		:	6,189
1954	3,241	1,898	295	144	146	270	315	191	66	20	63	42	26	20	20	လ		:	6,857
1953	3,143	1,757	234	137	1111	274	348	147	109	89	7.1	31	28	25	23	4		:	6,510
1952	3,450	2,056	391	212	152	321	320	144	11	65	61	37	48	8#	38	42		:	7,456
1951	3,479	2,714	514	277	193	263	234	108	57	51	19	55	40	40	27	61		:	8,154
1950	2,561	2,931	457	249	147	290	215	141	95	20	62	09	55	35	31	<del>2</del>		:	7,464
1949	3,301	3,078	438	231	196	328	286	143	132	119	108	73	69	55	24	54		:	8,665
1948	3.127	4,923	455	230	260	323	229	165	126	110	06	67	80	61	49	53		:	10,338 8,665
1947	788	5,304	418	327	288	366	296	225	153	142	100	113	26	100	13	43		:	8,773
1946		5,137	777	557	463	556	467	392	275	259	250	240	185	138	34	83		:	9,822
1045		5,110	240	220	257	359	233	185	188	142	152	128	109	79	53	7.0		:	7,510
1944		4,412	469	463	381	451	302	197	164	157	130	109	96	28	20	55		1	•
1043		3,990	1,024	1,063	1,043	1,667	1,622	1,482	1,357	1,271	1,197	1,089	1,193	1,035	382	:		:	19,415
1928- 1942	1,174	8,121	5,835	6,101	6,489	8,042	7,583	6,110	4,949	4,596	4,706	4,530	4,404	3,923	988	1,680		947	80,076 19,415 7,483
Age at date of	1	: :	:	3-4	" 5-4	5-6	6-7	" 2-2	. " 6-8	9-10 ,,	"-01			13-14 ,,	.4-15 ,,	15 years and over 1,680		Age not known	TOTALS

#### **SECTION 27**

#### AMBULANCE SERVICE

BY

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Although the number of cases carried has fallen slightly, the decrease is extremely small and represents barely ten patients per week. The rise in mileage continues and is accounted for by the admission of acute cases to periphery hospitals and subsequent follow-up treatment after discharge. The following table indicates cases carried, by types. In addition to these figures, 4,865 cases were removed from Leeds under co-ordination arrangements.

Cases Removed in 1962

ONOES REMOVED		,		
Type of Case			Number	Mileage
By Ambulance :—				
Road accidents			2,537	
Other accidents			3,142	
Emergency calls for illness			6,421	
Maternity			4,662	
Infectious diseases			779	414,165
Mental			360	
Hospital admissions and discharges			20,737	
Special treatment and out-patients			33,912	
Others (incl. fruitless journeys)			4,521	
		-		
Total	• •	• • •	77,071	
D C'W' - C 111		-		
By Sitting Case vehicles:—			_	
Maternity and Child Welfare	• •	• •	24	
Special treatment and out-patients Doctors and Midwives	• •	• •	174,288 2,825	639,882
Others (incl. fruitless journeys)	• •	• •	526	
Others (mer. muttless journeys)	• •	• • • •	520	J
Total			177,663	
10tai	••	• • •	1//,003	
Mortuary Service :				
Bodies removed			910	4,613
				7,7-5
Totals			255,644	1,058,660
Hospital Car Pool: · · ·			-	
Special treatment		• • •	4,600	25,425
Count Totals			-6	0 0
Grand Totals	••	• •	260,244	1,084,085

#### COMPARATIVE TABLE

	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Cases:— Ambulance S.C. vehicles	66,442 155,015	68,690 155,939	73,460 163,265	75,720 176,642	77,108 175,704	77,071 177,663
Total	221,457	224,629	236,725	252,362	252,812	254,734
Mileage:— Ambulance S.C. vehicles	348,715 483,427	350,394 479,757	366,698 486,804	389,221 535,220	411,912 574,294	414,165 639,882
Total	832,142	830,151	853,502	924,441	986,206	1,054,047
Hospital Car Service:— Cases Mileage		5,145 34,490	4,671 25,678	6,188 32,613	7,07I 33,320	4,600 25,425

"999" Calls.—During 1962, 9,664 emergency calls were received. This represents an increase of 18 per cent. on the 1961 figures. There appears to be no significant increase in any particular type of emergency but there has been no decrease in the number of false calls. A blue flashing light was fixed to each ambulance early in the year and has proved of considerable success in assisting vehicles to answer emergency calls with less delay. In November, legislation was introduced allowing sirens to be fitted to vehicles to give audible warning of approach to accidents. A small number have been fitted and their effectiveness is being assessed by ambulance drivers and the police.

**Staff.**—There has been no change in the official establishment which remains as follows:—

Chief Ambulance Officer									
Deputy Ambulance Of				I					
Control Officers					4				
Clerk, Leeds General Infirmary (Hospital Sub-									
Control Officer)					I				
Clerk, general duties					I				
Clerk, statistics					I				
Car control clerks					2				
Clerk/telephonists					3				

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Shift leaders				5	
Driver/attendants (male and	female)		I	:09	
Mortuary Service drivers				2	
Charge hand mechanic				I	
Mechanic				I	
Semi-skilled hands				2	
Apprentice				I	
Garage attendants				2	
Vehicle washers				2	
Cleaners				2	
Storeman				I	
					128
	Total s	staff			142

Vehicles.—Some difficulty is being experienced in operating the vehicle replacement programme authorised by the Health Committee in January, 1961. The replacement of three sitting-case ambulances was withdrawn from Estimates and they had to be retained for a further year of use. The arrangements for the yearly replacement of sitting-case cars and district nurses' cars have operated satisfactorily. No increase in vehicle establishment took place in 1962 and vehicle holdings remain as follows:—

	Authorised and held				
Ambulances				31	
Sitting-case ambulances	• •			22	
Sitting-case cars				8	
Mortuary Service vehicles				2	

Accidents.—There were 69 accidents in which Ambulance Service vehicles were involved.

**Equipment.**—Once again there have been very few losses and much credit is due to shift leaders and driving staff for care of equipment. A simple enumerating check system is operated which has the effect of each item of equipment remaining under review. New pattern carrying sheets are being provided and three further vehicles with light alloy trolleys were added to the fleet, replacing older types.

Radio Telephony.—The frequency modulated system of radiotelephony installed last year continues to operate very successfully. Signal strength in all parts of the city is well up and efficiency of control greatly improved.

**Buildings.**—The approach roads to the Station have now been repaired and a low fence installed to completely surround the Station. It is hoped to plant bushes along the line of low fencing.

Vehicle Maintenance.—All Daimler ambulances have now been overhauled and the fleet presents a uniform appearance. Authority has now been given for the purchase of a hydraulic/electric ramp and installation is expected early in 1963. The ramp, together with the additional staff authorised, will enable the intensive vehicle servicing scheme approved by the Health Committee to be implemented. It is hoped that considerable reduction in expenditure on vehicle maintenance can be achieved by this measure.

Civil Defence Training.—Civil Defence training of volunteers proceeded reasonably well during 1962. Five officers attended Officer Courses at Home Office Civil Defence Schools. A large exercise involving a full Column and some 500 casualties was held in Leeds in May and, despite many mishaps, much was learned by all concerned. A further Civil Defence ambulance has now been delivered and intimation received that yet a further allocation will be made.

Co-operation with other Authorities.—It was found necessary in December to hold a meeting of the Local Authorities subscribing to the Leeds Agreement, to decide on the necessity of an increase in reciprocal charges. A decision was deferred pending further consideration by one authority. Outside this, however, co-ordination arrangements have worked at the well-established level of efficiency.

Liaison with Hospitals.—Liaison remains excellent and it was found necessary to call only one meeting of each of the two Committees during the year. The Ambulance Service continues to be consulted by the Hospital Authorities whenever major alterations in arrangements appear necessary. Complaints have been few and in all cases have proved to be the result of human error rather than non-co-operation.

Major Accidents.—There were no major accidents in the city during the year. The plan for dealing with major accidents has been revised and it is felt will provide the necessary guide, should an accident involving many casualties occur.

Hospital Car Service.—The use made of the Hospital Car Service during the year has decreased considerably. It would appear that volunteers for this Service are not readily forthcoming. It has been found possible to accommodate patients hitherto carried by the Hospital Car Service in the normal runs made by sitting-case ambulances and cars.

Competitions.—A Service Competition was held in 1962 at which no less than seven teams competed. The winning team represented Leeds in the Regional Competition sponsored by the National Association of Ambulance Officers at Derby. Although excellent efforts were made by our team, they were beaten by Lincolnshire (Lindsey) and Leicester County. A further entry will be made in the 1963 Competition.

**Staff Training.**—A further course was held at the University of Leeds Medical School which was attended by representatives of most Ambulance Services in Yorkshire. Once again appreciation of this course was most marked.

Certain instructions issued by the Ministry of Health and the Home Office called for the training of all ambulance operational staff in their civil defence role. It was not possible to commence this training in 1962 but plans are going ahead for courses to be held in 1963.

## **SECTION 28**

## PREVENTION CARE AND AFTER-CARE

INCLUDING

HEALTH EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY
VENEREAL DISEASES
MEDICAL-SOCIAL WORK (GENERAL)
CONVALESCENT TREATMENT
CARE AND AFTER-CARE (HEALTH VISITING)
CHIROPODY

Other aspects are dealt with on pages 40 and 47 (Tuberculosis) and page 122 (Mental Health)

## HEALTH EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY

**Local Activities.**—Lectures.—As in previous years, lecturers were provided to address youth clubs, associations and the like on various health topics. This is a valuable method of health education and the Department is always pleased to assist organisations by providing lecturers.

Posters, Leaflets, etc.—Copies of all posters and leaflets issued by the Central Council for Health Education have been received and, where appropriate, have been distributed within the city. Copies of the "Better Health" Journal were distributed monthly to out-patient departments of the hospitals in the city and to the infant welfare clinics. Six former Empire Marketing Board frames have again been utilised for the display of posters.

Hygiene.—Publicity material bearing on the clean handling of food was issued to catering establishments in the city.

**National Activities.**—Government sponsored press and poster publicity in relation to diphtheria immunisation and other health subjects has been maintained during the year and Leeds has shared in the benefits.

Smoking and Health.—Following the receipt of Circular 6/62 and the Report of the Royal College of Physicians on Smoking and Health, the Health Committee agreed to the purchase and distribution of publicity material and also to the use of the mobile unit of the Central Council for Health Education. Posters were distributed to all general practitioners, hospitals, post offices, offices of the Ministries of Labour, Pensions and National Insurance, Libraries and Corporation Departments. Film strips were made available and demonstrated to Health Education Officers of the Education Committee, and to some representatives of youth movements. Plans were made for a campaign in schools in June, 1963, by the mobile unit of the Central Council for Health Education and a leaflet and selection of material for distribution to all school teachers was proposed.

The Health Visitors' Part in Health Education.—The health visitors continued to organise discussions in the clinics whenever possible and also gave talks to a variety of outside groups. Regular discussion groups were held in connection with relaxation classes and ante-natal sessions at five clinics.

It has, however, become increasingly obvious that any extension of this work depends on better clinic facilities, more staff and a reduction in some present duties. Office accommodation, equipment and clerical help are also necessary for the efficient central organisation of health education activities.

In the present circumstances, the emphasis on individual teaching continues. However, most of the health visitors now like to undertake group teaching and some have had considerable experience of public speaking, so the need for someone to have special responsibility for health education in the clinics has been less apparent.

Miss J. Hahnel, who held the appointment of Group Adviser for Health Education for two years, resigned on 1st November and the vacancy had not been filled at the end of the year.

One health visitor continued to spend one session per week on maintaining, and adding to, the stock of visual aids.

Lectures to Students.—Arrangements for the Health Visitor Tutor and the Superintendent Health Visitor to give lectures to student nurses at Leeds General Infirmary and St. James's Hospital were continued, and two health visitors attended St. James's Hospital to discuss home visiting with senior student nurses.

Talks and demonstrations on Heaf testing and testing young children for deafness were also given by members of the staff to student health visitors.

## VENEREAL DISEASES

BY

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During 1962 there was a considerable increase in the incidence of all the venereal diseases. This increase was most marked in cases of gonorrhœa but non-specific genital infection has also been diagnosed with greater frequency and there was a small but persistent rise in the number of cases of syphilis. The so-called tropical venereal diseases have also been seen sporadically and this may well be due to immigration from tropical areas and to the increasing use of air travel by all sections of the community. It is important to remember that the statistics upon which our knowledge of the incidence of venereally acquired infection is based come from patients who attend the clinics under the National Health Service. They do not include those patients who are treated in private consultant practice nor those who are treated by general practitioners. They cannot, therefore, provide an accurate estimate of the total incidence of these diseases, but they do indicate the main trends of incidence from year to year. The true incidence is, of course, considerably higher than the figures suggest.

The total number of new cases of gonorrhea rose from 861 in 1961 to 1,000 in 1962, an increase of 16 per cent. There was a further increase in the amount of infection amongst adolescents and young people of both sexes under 20 years. The continuing rise in the number of infected young people is disquieting. The remedy probably involves social rather than medical factors but it is important that a high standard of medical care should be readily available so that early diagnosis and efficient treatment may prevent

the development of serious complications. Immigrants and prostitutes continue to contribute substantially to the number of patients infected with gonorrhea. Contrary to the opinion sometimes expressed, immigrants usually contract the disease after their arrival in this country and most frequently from prostitutes, amongst whom the incidence of infection is high. Despite the Street Offences Act of 1959, prostitution continues to thrive and the "call-girl" system is spreading. Other important factors in the present situation are multiple infections in the same patient, strains of gonococci which are relatively resistant to penicillin, undiagnosed infection in women without symptoms and casual sexual promiscuity.

Non-specific genital infection was diagnosed more frequently in both sexes and cases of non-specific urethritis in men increased from 333 in 1961 to 376 in 1962. Diagnosis of this condition in women remains difficult and the disease is usually identified in them by evidence of infection in their sexual partners. Despite much research, the cause of this condition has not been identified and progress in its control may well be slow until this is achieved.

There was a small rise in the number of cases of early syphilis. The total is still small by the standards of other areas and countries, but it is in keeping with the world-wide increase in the incidence of early syphilis which has continued steadily since 1958. A considerable proportion of the cases of infectious syphilis has been found amongst homosexual men. It is probable that several cases are not diagnosed each year due to the suppression of the signs of infection as a result of the widespread use of antibiotics for other conditions. There was a slight rise in the number of cases of late syphilis, including both cardiovascular and neuro-syphilis. Latent syphilis and yaws also increased in frequency. There were no new cases of congenital syphilis in infants but there was a slight rise in the number of cases of late congenital syphilis diagnosed. The nationwide increase in infectious syphilis makes sustained vigilance at ante-natal clinics of great importance if the substantial gains in reduction cases of congenital syphilis are to be maintained. Total eradication of this tragic condition will be within our grasp when all practitioners regard routine serological tests for syphilis as an essential part of ante-natal care,

Patients who attend with other conditions form a considerable part of the work of the clinics. These patients may have a variety of diseases or genital conditions which may or may not have been sexually acquired. Many patients seek advice and reassurance because they are worried about the possibility of infection. All of them require sympathetic consideration of their problems, detailed examination and tests. The increase in the number of patients in this group indicates that the public has confidence in the efficiency of the service and full advantage is taken of it under conditions of secrecy. The importance of this aspect of the work in preventing mental and psychological illness should not be underestimated.

The increasing quantity of work has been carried out cheerfully and efficiently by the medical and nursing staff of the clinic. Great assistance in case finding and case holding has been provided by the health visitors and our almoner has given substantial help and advice to many patients.

The control of an infectious disease depends upon tracing the sources of infection, examining and treating them. Contact tracing forms an important and time consuming part of the activities of every well run clinic and much help is obtained from the local health authorities. Nevertheless, there are many difficulties in persuading some patients to see their contacts and request them to attend the hospital for investigation. There is an emotional rejection by a large part of the public of the fact that these diseases occur at all levels of society and an unwillingness to face the facts objectively. Education and keeping the public informed are important steps in the right direction. Young people should be told of the risks of infection, of the facilities that are available for advice and treatment and of the many other dangers arising from promiscuous sexual activity. These infections can be controlled even though the behaviour by which they spread is outside the field of medical and public health control. In order to achieve this public enlightenment, understanding and assistance are essential.

NEW PATIENTS REGISTERED AT THE VENEREAL DISEASES CLINIC AT THE GENERAL INFIRMARY AT LEEDS

	Year	1962	Year	1961		ase or rease
	M.	F.	M.	F.	М.	F.
Syphilis Yaws	56	40	51	30	+5	+10
Gonorrhœa	766	3 234	636	225	+3	+2 +9
Non-gonococcal urethritis Other conditions	376 926	620	336 907	609	+40	+11
Total	2,130	897	1,933	865	+197	+32
Total attendances	12,354		11,820		+534	
Total No. of In-patient days	3,	708	3,:	226	+	-482

Details of new patients resident in Leeds registered during 1962 are given in the following table:—

LEEDS PATIENTS

		Year 1962		Year	1961	Increase or Decrease	
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Syphilis, acquired Early		-	2	ı		+6	+2
Late		7 38	29	39	26	—I	+3
Syphilis, congenital							
Under I year old  Over I year old		• •				т	+2
Yaws		6	3	3		+3	+2
Gonorrhœa	• •	697	215	552	191	+145	+24
Non-gonococcal urethritis Other conditions		292 675	540	264 662	496	+28 + 13	+44
other conditions		-75			490		144
Total		1,715	791	1,522	714	+193	+77
Total attendances		10,0	501	10,	379	+:	222

Patients suffering from a condition for which they have already received attention at a V.D. Centre are excluded from these tables.

Number of Leeds patients under treatment or observation at 31st December, 1962:—

				Males	Females	Total
Syphilis				300	226	526
Yaws				18	10	28
Gonorrho	ea			280	99	379
Non-gono	cocca	al urethri	itis	110		110
Other con	nditio	ons	• •	205	IOI	306
		Total		913	436	1,349

## MEDICAL SOCIAL WORK

(General)

BY

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Medical Social Worker

Type of Case dealt with.—During the year 174 cases were referred to the Social Workers by medical practitioners, National Assistance Board officials, probation officers and other social agencies. Letters to the Medical Officer of Health brought several cases. Pre-admission visits for patients to the Geriatric Unit of St. James's Hospital were made. After-care patients re-admitted to hospital are not included in the new cases.

After-Care of Patients discharged from Hospital.—These patients are visited regularly and the Almoners informed as to their progress or otherwise. Their requests for home help, chiropody, spectacles, clothing, bedding, hearing aids, etc., are attended to. Where possible "Meals on Wheels" are arranged and information given regarding social clubs, competitions, outings and wireless for the bedridden.

During the year 910 patients awaiting admission to the Geriatric Unit at St. James's Hospital were visited. Patients and their families are advised by their family doctor that they will be visited by a social worker. As well as a social history being obtained for the Geriatric Consultant, the social workers are able to re-assure the patient and his family regarding pension books, personal belongings and other requirements in hospital. Advice is given about National Assistance, the loan of medical requisites, rent books, etc.

From January onwards, requests are made by families for temporary admission of chronic patients to hospital to enable these families to arrange for a holiday or rest. This is greatly appreciated by families who have been nursing a chronic sick patient for a long spell. Not only does it allow the family to have a holiday but it affords an opportunity to have the patient's room cleansed and often redecorated.

During the year 561 visits were made to new cases, 1,713 to old cases; 127 visits were received from new cases and 61 from old cases. 467 visits were paid to hospitals, the Magistrates' Court and other social agencies in the city, and 71 visits were made for the Home Help Assessor.

Social Care of the Unmarried Mother.—During 1962, 175 women and girls having an illegitimate child were interviewed. In 135 cases it was the first child, in 27 the second, in 8 the third and in one the fourth. Four married women having an illegitimate child were referred for help.

Of the 175 cases referred, 33 girls were to be married; 30 were returning home from hospital, 32 to lodgings, 8 to relations and one to friends. Ten girls were referred to the Roman Catholic Social Worker and 7 to the Church of England Social Worker. Fourteen girls were returning to live with the putative father and five girls hoped to marry later. Nine girls booked for a home confinement, 13 applied for admission to Mount Cross Home and 8 applied for Browning House. Three girls went into private nursing homes, 2 left the district and four were not traced. One girl went to St. Margaret's Home.

All the girls attended the Department's Infant Welfare Centre in the district where they resided. Thirteen girls were helped to obtain affiliation orders.

After-Care.—The after-care of girls who are admitted to a Mother and Baby Home is mostly done by the Matron and staff of the Home. Where possible the Senior Social Worker helps with lodgings for girls who cannot return to their own homes.

General.—During the year the Senior Social Worker has attended the monthly meetings of St. Margaret's Committee and Mount Cross Mother and Baby Home. She has attended the quarterly meetings of the Leeds Council of Social Service Old People's Welfare Committee and some meetings of the voluntary workers. When possible she has attended the Epilepsy Association meetings. Both social workers attended meetings of the Social Workers' Club.

The "Yorkshire Evening News" donated 92 Christmas food parcels which were taken to housebound old people. These parcels are greatly appreciated by the recipients, most of whom are expatients from the Geriatric Unit at St. James's Hospital.

The Social Workers would like to thank friends who have donated clothing, furniture, food and books; these gifts were all greatly appreciated by the recipients.

## CONVALESCENT TREATMENT

During 1962, 1,612 applications for convalescent treatment were received and 11 were brought forward from 1961, making a total of 1,623 as compared with 1,973 for the previous year. Of this number 1,220 were sent to convalescent homes, 394 applications were withdrawn or refused and 9 were held over until 1963.

The following table gives details of the number of adults and children sent for convalescence and the number of weeks per patient.

	_	Adults	Children
Number sent for convalescence Weeks away Extensions (weeks) Total number of weeks away Average number of weeks per stay		 773 1,546  1,546	447 910 4 914 2

The number of applications for convalescence has been reduced, due most likely to the inclement weather and the pause necessitated by smallpox precautions in January. The Craig Home for Children at Morecambe, which is operated from a Bradford office, was closed for some time as a precaution against smallpox contacts.

Provision for the health and welfare of patients at all the Homes now in use is of a very high standard. It is pleasing to see patients who are recovering from a great variety of illnesses returning from a seaside convalescence greatly improved in health and morale and, in many cases, ready to resume their normal work.

Several children and adults have been referred to the W.V.S. for help with clothing prior to going away for convalescence. The W.V.S. have also given valuable help throughout the year with the escorting of children to the convalescent homes.

During the year 151 women, 4 teenage girls and 112 babies were sent to the Local Authority's own Convalescent Home at Southport. The Ambulance Service has continued to provide transport for children and mothers with babies. 516 patients attended the Central Clinic for medical inspection prior to admission to convalescent homes.

The allocation of patients to the various homes is shown as follows:—

Home	Adults	Babies	Child- ren	Total
Southport (Mother and Baby Home)	151	112	4	267
Blackpool (Horncliffe)	233		19	252
Blackpool (Westwood)	89		18	107
Bridlington (Yorkshire Foresters)	101			101
St. Annes (Ormerod)			98	98
St. Annes (Blackburn)	99			99
St. Annes (Seabright)	95			95
Morecambe (Craig)			117	117
Southport (Milne)				
St. Annes (Rochdale Home)			79	79
Southport (Jewish Home)				
Harrogate (Metcalfe Smith)	5			5
Totals	773	112	335	1,220

The following table gives monthly statistics of cases sent for convalescence:—

	Adults	Mothers a	nd Babies	Children	Total
		(M)	(B)		
January	9			5	14
February	23 28				23
March	28	3	3	18	52
April	44	10	10	30	94
May	44 80	16	16	39	151
June	109	10	10	46	175
July	92	14	14	51	171
August	110	27	28	28	193
September	77	15	17	42	151
October	66	13	14	33	126
November	24			23	47
December	3			20	23
Total	665	108	112	335	1,220

## CARE AND AFTER-CARE (HEALTH VISITING)

BY

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The number of visits to the sick, aged and handicapped in 1962 increased to 5,352 from 4,660 in 1961 and 4,601 in 1960. The number of visits in connection with rehousing on medical grounds was 869.

**Tuberculosis Visiting.**—All newly notified cases were visited and arrangements made for the examination of contacts. The decrease in the number of households visited, which was noted in 1960 and 1961, was more marked and the downward trend is shown by the figures for the past four years:—

Year	Total		Decrease
1959	 6, <b>73</b> 9		
1960	 6,605	• •	134
1961	 6,464		141
1962	 5,878	• •	586

The eight health visitors attached to the Leeds Chest Clinic spent more time visiting patients suffering from bronchitis and lung cancer, and these cases are included in the number of "sick, aged and handicapped persons" shown above.

The total number of contacts skin tested during the year was 1,451, 297 less than in 1961.

Mental Health.—The health visitor's chief concern is to notice the early signs of mental illness and to give general help to the families of mentally sick and subnormal patients. Contact with the Psychiatric Social Worker and Mental Welfare Officers was made easier by their presence in the same building and there were frequent referrals and requests for help. Venereal Diseases.—Three health visitors continued to undertake part-time venereal disease visiting.

These visits, although not numerically important, are often very time consuming and are sometimes complicated by language difficulties. Personal contact with the patients is essential and they seldom can be seen during normal working hours. As they work during the day and often go out in the evenings, a number of ineffectual visits may be made before they are finally traced.

The total number of visits was 454 including 94 ineffectual visits, compared with 492 of which 139 were ineffectual in 1961.

Special Surveys.—Work continued on the survey of health visiting which was held in the autumn of 1961. The analysis of the results was received from the Hollerith Section of the City Treasury in the early spring and these showed that the report would include much information which had never been available before. Meetings were held with the health visitors at each stage, in order to assess the findings and obtain additional information from them. Research into the origin of health visiting in Leeds was also carried out and case histories were collected from the health visitors. The whole project was completed at the end of October, but there followed some delay in arranging for the publication of the report, which is lengthy. It is now known that this should appear in 1963 under the title "Health Visiting in Leeds".

The Medical Research Council survey of enteroviruses and pathogenic bacteria in the fæces of normal children was completed in May.

The health visitors were not involved in any other important research project during the year.

#### CHIROPODY

During the year 981 applications for treatment were received. Of these applications, 41 were cancelled before treatment was arranged and 211 patients were awaiting an appointment at 31st December, 1962.

Two more part-time chiropodists were employed and one part-time chiropodist commenced full-time duties. This brought the total of chiropodists employed to three full-time and five part-time, providing 46 clinic sessions per week and 12 home treatment sessions per week. 2,628 patients received treatment; a total of 2,326 sessions was worked during the year, providing 14,340 treatments. 2,194 of these treatments were in the patients' own homes and 2,219 treatments were given to patients transported to the clinics.

Sessions were started at three more Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics, bringing the number of chiropody centres to nine. In June, one of the chiropodists commenced working at the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Albion Street, on one half-day per fortnight; 141 treatments were provided during 1962.

Voluntary workers from the Leeds Council of Social Service carried out reception duties at several clinics and their help was much appreciated.

The service is still restricted to the three priority groups, viz. old people, the physically handicapped and expectant mothers on recommendation from their family doctor.

In the following table details are given of the applications received during 1962 and how they were dealt with.

No. of patients receiving treatment at 31.12.61 . . 1,879

No. awaiting appointment at 31.12.61 .. .. 339

2.218

Applications received during year

Pensioners referred by general practitioners 930 Physically handicapped under pensionable age	
referred by general practitioners 37 Expectant mothers referred by Maternity and	
Child Welfare doctors 3  Expectant mothers referred by general	
practitioners 7	
Referred by War Pensioners Welfare 4	
	981
Total	3,199
Disposal	
Attending clinics by own means of transport 1,912	
Attending clinics by transport provided 370	
Receiving domiciliary treatment 346	
Number awaiting appointment 211	
Died or withdrawn 360	
·	3,199
Chiropody treatment is provided at the following cent Central Clinic Annexe, Park Square, Leeds, 1. Holbeck Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, N	
Road, Leeds, 11.	
Welfare Services Centre, 79, Roundhay Road, Lee	
Leafield Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, King Leeds, 17.	Lane,

Street, Leeds, 13.

Armley Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, Theaker Lane, Leeds, 12.

East Leeds Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, Harehills

Middleton Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, Middleton

Balks House Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, Walkers

Bramley Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, Town

Lane, Leeds, 9.

Park Avenue, Leeds, 10.

Lane, Dixon Lane, Leeds, 12.

## **SECTION 29**

## HOME HELP SERVICE

BY

# Mrs. Dorothy W. Alford Organiser

During 1962, 2,841 cases received help. They were brought to the notice of the Home Help Service by the following:—

Welfare Services Department		265	(91%)
Blind Welfare Department		66	$(2\frac{1}{4}\%)$
Hospitals		333	$(11\frac{3}{4})\%$
District nurses, midwives, etc.		134	$(4\frac{3}{4}\%)$
General medical practitioners		466	$(16\frac{1}{2}\%)$
Miscellaneous (relatives, etc.)	1	, <b>5</b> 69	$(55\frac{1}{4}\%)$
Chest Clinic		8	$(\frac{1}{4}\%)$

N.B. Each case is only counted once, although help may have been provided intermittently from January to December.

## Hours Given to Cases Helped during 1962

		Type of Case							
Монтн	Maternity	Old Age Pensioners	Blind	Emergency Illness	Hospital Discharge	Chronic Sick	Tuberculosis	Nights	Total
Jan. Feb. March April May June July August Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.	1,592 1,956 2,550 1,876 2,820 2,360 1,812 1,225 1,736 1,896 2,310 1,288	14,193 15,184 19,077 14,410 20,417 14,868 15,216 15,711 15,400 16,384 20,771 15,472	980 1,012 1,175 936 1,580 912 1,024 855 1,116 920 1,160 696	2,008 1,512 2,100 1,368 1,415 1,156 1,276 1,370 1,412 1,140 880 728	1,868 1,956 2,395 1,784 2,405 1,524 1,820 1,485 1,980 1,848 2,565 1,472	7,076 7,276 8,875 6,572 9,950 7,009 7,762 7,010 6,824 6,640 8,230 6,844	732 704 920 664 905 652 788 805 764 636 645 460	96 48 10 104 	28,545 29,648 37,102 27,714 39,492 28,481 29,698 28,461 29,232 29,464 36,561 26,960
Totals	23,421	197,103	12,366	16,365	23,102	90,068	8,675	258	371,358

The majority of the cases receiving help come under the heading of chronic sick, aged or infirm. The number of people requiring help in the 80-90 age group has increased and help has been, and is being, given to two people of over 100 years of age.

A great number of the aged prefer living in their own homes and are enabled to do so by the continued assistance of a home help.

It must be appreciated that a home help is more than a domestic worker and helps with personal hygiene, boosts morale and does many tasks which could be performed by near and dear relatives if they were available.

Some home helps are employed on a "good neighbour" basis. They are chosen because of their close proximity to patients. Early morning and nightly visits can be made and the aged man or woman feels cared for. Fires are damped down—or made up—according to necessity and doors secured. Cards are sometimes displayed in windows when a "good neighbour" is required. This side of the service is very much appreciated, especially when an aged person is ill and alone.

Care is taken to prepare meals suitable for patients on special diet, to arrange meals for days when a home help is not there, and to provide a helper to collect the pension and/or visit the launderette on the special days when cheap facilities for pensioners are granted.

Maternity Cases.—The trend is still for maternity cases to decrease and the aged and chronic cases to increase.

Tuberculosis.—These cases continue to decrease.

Mentally Disturbed Patients and Problem Families.—Not every home help is willing, or the right type, to help in these homes, and the home helps are to be congratulated on the forbearance and sympathy so freely given in these cases. During the period under review, 19 cases received help weekly (of from 4 to 40 hours' help) depending on the type of case,

## SECTION 51

## MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

BY

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Mental Health Officer

## INTRODUCTION

The service is administered by a Mental Health Sub-Committee consisting of five elected representatives and three co-opted members having experience of the work. Meetings are held monthly.

The Mental Health Section is accommodated at East Parade, but accommodation at the Psychiatric Unit at St. James's Hospital will be available early next year, and it is proposed to transfer the part of the Section concerned with psychiatric after-care and the admission of acute cases to hospital, to St. James's. As the bulk of the after-care and admission work is centred on St. James's Hospital, and the Psychiatric Social Worker and Mental Welfare Officers are seconded to the hospital for a considerable part of their time, the proposed arrangement will bring about a closer cooperation with the hospital staff and should facilitate the team-work which is necessary in order to provide good community care. As the "run-down" of the larger mental hospitals proceeds, it is expected that the work of the section will be still more closely associated with St. James's Hospital.

A detailed account of the work of the Section is presented under the headings of Mental Subnormality and Mental Illness,

## MENTAL SUBNORMALITY

**Ascertainment.**—The number of subnormal and severely subnormal patients reported during the year, and the numbers on the registers at the close of the year are shown in Tables II and III of the Appendix.

Supervision.—The duty of supervising the mentally handicapped children and adults living in the community has continued to be carried out by the Committee's Mental Health Workers. This is regarded as an important part of the service, as effective supervision, coupled with attendance at a training centre, aims at keeping the patient within the community. The Mental Health Workers also assist in many cases in placing patients in suitable employment and close co-operation is maintained with the Rehabilitation Officers of the Ministry of Labour and the Youth Employment Bureau. The number of patients receiving informal supervision at the end of the year was 434 males and 303 females; of that number 275 males and 166 females were attending training centres.

**Training Centres.**—There are four training centres established in the City, two for juniors up to 16 years of age for both sexes, one for adult male patients and one for adult female patients over the age of 16 years. In addition, there is also a laundry centre for females and a sheltered workshop for male patients. The centres provide accommodation for 475 patients. The numbers attending training centres are shown in Table IV of the Appendix.

**Patients in Hospital.**—The number of patients in hospitals for the mentally subnormal at the end of the year was 455 males and 415 females, a total of 870.

At the end of the year there were 14 males and 11 females awaiting admission to hospital. The majority of these cases are severely subnormal children, and due to the acute shortage of beds for this type of case, the prospect of early admission is somewhat remote. Short stay accommodation is, however, provided from time to time to alleviate distress and tension in the home. We were unfortunate in having extensive damage to the roof of Nowell House during the gales in the early part of the year, and other accommodation had to be found for the children at short notice.

**Guardianship.**—The number of subnormals under guardianship is kept to a minimum and no new cases have been admitted during the year. The total number under this form of care at the end of the year was 4 males and one female.

A number of male patients have continued to reside in private accommodation at various addresses in the city. A number of these patients are unable to handle their own financial affairs, and a Mental Health Worker visits the premises each week to assist them in the payment of board, pocket money and other expenses, any balance being placed to their credit in their savings account.

Holidays.—A party of youths and men were again able to enjoy a week's holiday at Scarborough in June.

A day excursion to the seaside was also provided for all the patients attending training centres.

Film.—The film "Towards a Happier Life" has again been in demand throughout the year, and a total of 51 bookings have been made, including one from the Hopeland Trust, a Society dealing with the care of the mentally subnormal in Southern Rhodesia.

## TRAINING CENTRES AND SHELTERED WORKSHOPS FOR THE MENTALLY SUBNORMAL

East Leeds Training Centre (Mrs. G. Jones).—The total number on roll at the year end was 116. This figure includes one boy over 16 years and three West Riding cases. During the year 18 children left and 18 were admitted; three of the 18 children who left went on to an Educationally Subnormal School.

The Ladies' Section of the Licensed Victuallers' Association again took a party of children to Scarborough for a day's outing. The children had a very enjoyable day and our thanks are tendered to these ladies for their interest and generosity.

Open Days and a display of country dancing and a concert were held; parents and friends were invited.

At the children's Christmas Party, Father Christmas gave each child gifts which were generously donated by the "Yorkshire Evening Post", Car Drivers and the Parents' Association. A dancing display was given by the pupils of the Patrice Dancing Academy, which the children enjoyed immensely.

Our grateful thanks are tendered to the Parents' Association for their co-operation and assistance during the year.

Stanningley Junior Training Centre (Miss I. Bye).—At the conclusion of 1962 there were 106 children on the roll. Of the 10 West Riding children on the roll at the beginning of the year, 8 left to go to Centres which were opened in the West Riding area. Of the Leeds children, 4 were transferred to North Leeds, one boy left the district, one girl and 3 boys were transferred to E.S.N. Schools, one boy was given a trial at Bridge House School for the Deaf but has now returned to us, one boy was transferred to Meanwood Park Hospital and one boy has died.

As the intake in the main has been little ones, the nursery section has become very crowded. The health of the children has been good, apart from the usual and seasonal illnesses.

Several members of the staff attended the Conference for Remedial Music held at Leeds University, and one member of the staff attended the Refresher Course held in Staffordshire.

The annual activities of the Centre have been enjoyed, although the outing to Filey was marred by atrocious weather. Staff sickness unfortunately compelled us to cancel the Garden Party.

We would like to record our thanks to many outside groups who take such an interest in this Centre, Woolworths of Pudsey for a gift of a large display Easter Egg, Pudsey Ladies' Circle, Inner Wheel, for individual Easter Eggs for each child and the entertainment for the Christmas Party, the Licensed Victuallers' Association for an outing to Scarborough for 12 of the children, the "Yorkshire Evening Post" for their generous gift of toys.

The Parents' Association, too, have worked with a will and organised a highly successful dance—a new venture—and the Christmas Sale of Work, an enjoyable and successful effort.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Mrs. Esam, our Deputy Head—a loss to the Centre which is keenly felt.

Medical Care of Children in the Training Centres (Dr. I. M. Holoran).—Like the children who attend the special schools in Leeds, the children who attend these training centres have a routine medical inspection every two years. They are also seen in the interval at least once a year if any physical defect is found. Parents are invited so that doctor, staff and parent can discuss together matters relevant to the child's physical and mental progress. Repeated efforts are made with every child to get a response to tests of vision and hearing.

In addition to the above arrangements, the School Health Service, through the Orthopædic team, continues to advise on the management and treatment of the cerebral palsied children who attend the centres. A few other children who have orthopædic defects are also seen at the same sessions for this purpose.

Dr. Holoran has paid two visits to East Leeds Centre and three to the Stanningley Centre during the year. Dr. Lewis, the pædiatric member of the team, has sometimes attended as well. Mr. J. M. P. Clark, F.R.C.S., who visited the Stanningley Centre in 1961, postponed his 1962 visit until January, 1963. His advice has, however, been available in cases of urgency at his orthopædic clinic at the Education Offices. The most heavily physically handicapped children are generally placed in the Stanningley Centre.

Mr. Clark's operative recommendations for some of the older chairbound children have been designed:—

- (a) to correct muscle imbalance and so arrest the development of gross scoliosis or prevent dislocation of a hip,
- (b) to reduce gross adductor spasm, particularly in girls and so facilitate personal hygiene.

The following table shows the distribution of these doubly handicapped children.

	Children suffering from Severe Cerebral Palsy	Children suffering from Cerebral Palsy	Children suffering from other orthopædic defects	Total
Stanningley Centre East Leeds Centre Receiving therapy at	14 1	14 14	4 7	32 22
home	4	-	-	4
	19	28	II	58

Of the cerebral palsied children attending the Stanningley Centre, 15 are chairbound. All these children require help with toileting, while six of them and one ambulant child are incontinent.

Mr. Hunt continued as a full-time remedial gymnast, and will be much missed when he leaves for Australia. This year he has visited East Leeds Centre for one session a week. Five children were given regular treatment there, in addition to those treated at Stanningley. Four were treated at home and six others were visited occasionally.

North Leeds Training Centre and Sheltered Workshop (Mr. H. Wardman).—The Centre opened the year with 108 Leeds cases and 22 West Riding cases. Twenty-three new Leeds cases were admitted and one West Riding case, six Leeds cases were re-admitted and one West Riding. Two of the new admissions went out to work, and two re-admissions also went out to work. Unfortunately, after working for some weeks three of them were re-admitted. Twelve of the West Riding cases were transferred to the new Horsforth Centre which opened in September.

The Sheltered Workshop (where weighing machine components are fettled and assembled) still maintains its output, but owing to the trade recession we have had to reduce the working hours. However, the income derived was still over £4,000 and just short of 500,000 component parts were handled,

In the concrete section, production was kept up to the maximum, providing concrete covers for the Parks and Cemeteries Department as well as two foot square slabs and edging stones for private sale. We have also made the slabs and built a concrete garage.

The Centre is still carrying on with all forms of handcrafts and we have acquired a ladder boring machine which has distinct possibilities, as it enables the trainees to bore holes with precision and correct spacing. The making of rungs has also been simplified, a hand shaper for the ends being used after the rungs have been sawn to length.

This year we have also introduced the sharpening and renovation of scissors, lawn mowers and garden shears.

We are receiving a little more work from the Funeral Director's supplies, including knotting, counting and assembly work, and the making of metal figures and wreath holders.

In the woodwork shop, toys for the Health Department Nurseries are being repaired and renovated. The other sections of the Centre are still producing various handcraft work and sales are being maintained.

In the Transitional Class the junior boys are still being taught the handcrafts they will encounter when transferred to the adult centre, and simple Three "R" work is given throughout the term.

Our Christmas entertainment this year, a Nativity Play and a Minstrel Show, was well received by an enthusiastic audience. The Centre's football team is still going strong and is improving. Our annual trip to Filey was enjoyed by all, and a visit to the Circus for some of the boys was arranged by the Parents' Association, whom we have also to thank for a Christmas Gift to each boy. Our thanks are also tendered to the Ladies' Section of the Licensed Victuallers' Association for arranging a day's excursion to Scarborough for the junior boys.

Armley Grange Senior Training Centre (Mrs. K. Taylor).—1962 was quite a successful year. All patients were trained to help with the domestic duties at the Centre, and no outside help was employed.

£250 worth of handcrafts were sold and this is an increase of £100 on the previous year. Considering that 92 per cent. of the patients are severely subnormal this is a remarkable achievement and speaks well for the efforts and patience of the staff, as all work sold is of a high standard.

A singing and dancing display was given for the National Association of Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped, and all were impressed by the very high standard.

46 of the 52 girls are incapable of making their own way to the centre and are transported by car and minibus with a staff escort. There have been six new admissions, but six withdrawals have kept the number on roll static at 52.

We had a most enjoyable day at Bridlington in June, and in September we visited the Blackpool Illuminations. We had our annual "Open Night" for parents on 19th December, and ended the term with the usual Christmas Dinner Party.

**Pioneer Laundry** (Mrs. Wager).—There are now 28 girls and one male fully employed at this centre. Each is paid according to ability, and are, therefore, able to contribute to their own support. In addition, they receive a mid-day meal and travelling tokens.

Three girls progressed so favourably that they were able to take up positions in commercial laundries.

During the summer holiday four of the girls were taken to Bridlington for a week under the supervision of Mrs. Petty, and in January, once again, they enjoyed a visit to the pantomime. The annual trip to Scarborough for the girls and staff was marred by pouring rain, but in spite of this everybody had a happy day.

Attendance has been good, and there has been very little absenteeism through illness. Unfortunately, one of the girls died this year.

Approximately 10,000 articles are laundered each week, and a good standard of work is maintained.

## HOSTELS FOR THE MENTALLY SUBNORMAL

**Armley Grange Hostel** (*Mrs. Petty*).—There are twenty patients living in this hostel, eight go out to work and four help with small jobs in the hostel.

In August last year five were taken to Rhyl for a week's holiday and nine went to Bridlington for a week in September. Our grateful thanks are tendered to the Leeds Branch of the Society for Mentally Handicapped Children for the free use of their Holiday Home at Bridlington.

During the year we have had five short stay cases. Most of the women seem to be happy and content to stay at the hostel. We are hoping to take all the patients away for a week this year. Some save a little each week from their spending money for holidays.

The incidence of sickness during the year has been very small.

**Nowell House Short Stay Home** (Mrs. G. Jones).—During the year 130 children were admitted; included in this number were 2 children from other authorities.

## MENTAL ILLNESS

Admissions to Hospital (Mr. T. S. Hawkesworth).—The number of cases admitted to hospital with which the Mental Welfare Officers have been concerned during the second full year of the Mental Health Act shows an increase of 80, all of whom were accommodated at High Royds Hospital (formerly Menston Hospital).

Compulsory Orders have been necessary in 413 cases comprised as follows; 331 Observation Orders, Sections 25 and 29, an increase of 23 on 1961, and 82 Treatment Orders, a decrease of 12. These figures show little change from the two previous years.

Senile patients continue to be a great problem, and I regret to report that during the year it was necessary to admit 145 patients aged 65 and over into hospitals. Of these 73 were admitted to High Royds Hospital, 58 to St. James's Hospital and 14 to other hospitals.

During the year we have been called upon to escort patients from H.M. Prison and the Courts under Sections 60 and 72 of the Mental Health Act. This has involved journeys to Broadmoor, Rampton, Sleaford, York and Beverley, in addition to local hospitals.

Fewer locked wards in the various mental hospitals has resulted in more patients being absent without leave, and this has involved the Mental Welfare Officers being called upon to visit, and in some cases, return patients to hospital.

Calls after ordinary office hours show no sign of decreasing, and with the shortage of beds at St. James's Hospital the major portion of admissions at night and weekends have been to High Royds Hospital; one such case on a foggy day occupying an officer for seven hours.

The increase in the number of cases reported and staff changes have tended to make difficulties, and it is hoped that 1963 will see a more stable staff, and that the move to St. James's Hospital, with its better accommodation, will make for an improvement all round.

Psychiatric Care and After-Care (Mr. V. J. G. Bosworth).— The Senior Psychiatric Social Worker and seven Mental Welfare Officers were undertaking the work of the section at the year end.

Since five Mental Welfare Officers also have duties either on admission procedures or with subnormals or both, the total Mental Welfare Officer strength of the section should be reckoned at five. The staff undertakes the after-care of patients discharged from mental hospitals and the out-patient work at the Psychiatric Unit, St. James's Hospital. Duties at this Unit were shared with the Psychiatric Social Worker employed by the Regional Hospital Board until her resignation in November to take up a research project. Loss of working capacity through sickness was, this year, very low (1/35).

The suggestion that mental health workers be attached to each of the three "firms" of psychiatrists at the Psychiatric Unit has been implemented, though its smooth functioning has been affected by changes in staff. Workers attend ward rounds and clinical discussions, once or twice a week. Quick referral of cases is made at these meetings, when the worker has opportunity to discuss new matters and report back on progress of cases. From the section standpoint, though a certain tidiness of administration is lost by this procedure, it is felt that liaison is nevertheless improved. The procedure will prepare the way towards the section's occupying premises in the new wing of the Unit early in the New Year. The number of interviews taking place at the hospital compare with last year's (1962, 425; 1961, 428). Next year it will hardly be possible to enumerate such interviews separately. Social histories prepared as an aid to diagnosis show a slight increase, (1962, 104; 1961, 92), and shorter reports dealing with specific problems of the social situation have increased by nearly a half, (1962, 104; 1961, 76). The psychiatrists extend invitation to their Tuesday clinical meetings at the Unit and there is usually more than one local authority worker present. At these meetings cases are discussed, films relating to mental and social problems presented, and talks are given by the doctors. Visiting psychiatrists in gradually increasing numbers from the three mental hospitals that serve Leeds have Out-Patient Clinics at the Unit. This factor, together with an increase in the number of referrals from mental hospitals, especially Menston, reflects the increasing accent on community care. As in the past, duplicate reports on interviews have been sent to psychiatrists at St. James's Psychiatric Unit, and this service has been extended this year to psychiatrists at Menston Hospital not having clinics in Leeds, at their request. Furthermore, at the turn of the year, it is suggested that a fortnightly visit to Menston Hospital by a member of the staff be arranged to discuss particular cases, on similar lines to the arrangement at St. James's.

The number of cases dealt with this year, (see Appendix, Table V) shows a drop on last (1962, 860; 1961, 1,009), but compares favourably with 1960, (825). However, the number of interviews and visits for the year has reached an "all time high" (1962, 5,440; 1961, 4,816). The preventive aspect of the work, regular visiting. has recovered after last year's having to be curtailed slightly, (average number of interviews per patient 1962, 6.4; 1961, 4.8). There were 324 cases brought forward from 1961; 209 cases previously known to the section were re-referred after hospitalisation or attendance at the Out-Patient Clinics; 327 entirely new cases were similarly referred, making a total of 536 cases referred during the year; 307 cases were carried forward to 1963. Therefore, 553 cases were closed after varying terms of contact. Of the total number of patients seen during the year, there were five women to every three men. This ratio varies between 5.5 to 3 for re-referred cases and 4.5 to 3 among new cases. This would appear to indicate that there is a higher proportion of women referred for support after a long-term illness than after a first breakdown. Source of referrals was as follows:--

	New	New Referrals			Refer	Total Referrals	
	M.	F.	T.	М.	F.	T.	
Menston Hospital Stanley Royd Scalebor Park G.P.'s Other Corporation Departments	· 47 · 36 · 13 · 2 · 7 · 8 · 15	106 51 5 12 10	153 87 18 14 17	28 31 5  1	63 46 10 4 6	91 77 15 4 7	244 164 33 18 24 19 34
Totals	. 128	199	327	75	134	209	536

As in 1961, a tentative assessment has been made of the type of work and patient the section is concerned with. For 491 cases a diagnosis had been given. Of these 153 were thought to have a schizophrenic illness and 174 showed depressive features, 49 suffered from a neurotic disorder, and 24 were psychopathic.

Leeds Mental Health Workers have continued to attend case conferences organised for mental welfare officers at Menston and Scalebor Park Hospitals, and have supported the conferences at Stanley Royd Hospital organised for the first time this year. Because of the commitments to attend case conferences, etc., no special meetings have been organised in the department for members of staff, though discussion of cases on an informal basis is encouraged. Similarly the meetings with the Leeds Voluntary Bodies have lapsed because of work pressures on both sides. Discussions at the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre ceased after August, although it had been hoped to extend these discussions to other Centres. In the New Year the section will be committed to taking two students from the Younghusband Course. The Senior Psychiatric Social Worker visits Rutland Lodge Hostel weekly and arranges discharges and admissions. Where necessary a referral to the Out-patient Clinic is made with the co-operation of the Warden, who supervises the employment prospects of the patients.

The Therapeutic Social Club continues to meet on Monday and Thursday evenings in Hanover Square Handicapped Persons Centre. Between 12 and 25 members attend each evening.

The Section represents the service on the Committee for Children Neglected or Maltreated in their Own Homes and on the Policy Committee of the Leeds Council of Social Service.

Talks have been given to Health Visitor Students, and students in Blind Welfare, to a Friendly Society, Old Age Pensioner's Group and a Men's Fellowship; also to District Nurses, etc., at Market Buildings. A discussion on mental health was arranged for a student from Trinidad who was at the Industrial Rehabilitation Unit as part of her social work training; a Psychiatric Social Worker student from the London School of Economics Course came to the department for a week; and practical work was arranged for a student in Social Studies from Belfast University, over a period of four weeks. Time was also given to the trainee at the L.C.S.S. once a week for three months at the end of the year, when the Senior Caseworker was unable to supervise, owing to illness.

Rutland Lodge Hostel (Mr. Round, Warden).—There were 28 patients in residence at the end of the year, of whom 13 were in regular employment. Trade recession during the winter months had resulted in a number of the residents being laid off. Those who retained their jobs appear to be settling down and working well.

The majority of the residents have had prolonged in-patient treatment in mental hospitals. Three high grade subnormal men have been admitted in the absence of other suitable accommodation and have fitted in quite well. Two subnormal men were admitted from their own homes as short stay cases due to illness in the family. While this is not an ideal arrangement, their presence appeared to cause no difficulties with the other residents.

Twenty-six patients were admitted and 26 discharged during the year. Details are shown in tables below.

Admissions 1962		
From Mental Hospital		17
From General Hospital		1
From Hostels, Lodgings or own home	e	8
		26
		_
Discharges 1962		
To own Home		9
To Lodgings or other Hostels		IO
Returned to Mental Hospital		6
To Mental Subnormality Hospital		I
		26

Mr. James was appointed Assistant Warden in August, 1962, and the full time staff now consists of Warden, Assistant Warden and Cook.

## TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Following publication of the report of the Scott Committee on the Training of Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped, the staffing position at the training centres was reviewed. As it proved impossible to recruit teachers with the Diploma of The National Association for Mental Health, which is the sole qualification in existence at the present time, it was decided to recruit trainees of suitable educational standard with a view to seconding them on the two-year training course envisaged in the Scott Report, after a period of preliminary training in the centres. Five of these appointments have been made, and it is hoped that the first course will commence in Leeds in September, 1963.

Three newly appointed Mental Welfare Officers are being trained in the Department, and one Mental Welfare Officer who was appointed last year has been seconded to the first Younghusband Course which commenced in September, 1962, and is making satisfactory progress. Two other students of this course have been attached to the Section for practical work.

Throughout the year, the usual lectures and visits were arranged for medical and social science students, student health visitors, and home nurses. Three students of the National Association for Mental Health course for teachers of the Mentally Handicapped attended at the training centres for practical work. A party of students from the Association's course for teachers in adult centres visited Rutland Lodge and the Pioneer Laundry.

A number of requests for speakers on mental health topics were received, and the film continues to have heavy bookings.

## APPENDIX

TABLE I

CASES DEALT WITH BY MENTAL WELFARE OFFICERS

	Males	Females	Total
I. Calls received	632	853	1,485
2. Visits paid	681	1,128	1,809
3. Informal admissions:— St. James's Hospital	64	125	189
High Royds Hospital	94	105	199
Stanley Royd	43	27	70
Scalebor Park	12	48	60
Other Hospitals	6	11	17
Total informal admissions dealt with by Mental Welfare Officers	219	316	535
4. Patients admitted under Compulsory Orders, Sections 25 and 29:—			
St. James's Hospital	51	96	147
High Royds Hospital	49	74	123
Stanley Royd Hospital	22	22	44
Scalebor Park Hospital	2	5	7
Other Hospitals	1	9	10
Total	125	206	331
5. Patients admitted under Treatment Orders, Section 26:—			
High Royds Hospital	17	24	41
Stanley Royd Hospital	10	10	20
Scalebor Park Hospital	I	3	4
Other Hospitals	12	5	17
Total	40	42	82

TABLE II

# Particulars of Subnormal and Severely Subnormal Patients Ascertained During 1962.

	Males	Females	Total
<ul> <li>I. (a) Cases reported by Local Education Authority:—  (i) Ineducable children  (ii) At 15 years—on leaving school  (b) Other cases reported during 1962.</li> </ul>	16 18 13	9	25 26
Total number of cases reported during the year	47	31	78
2. Disposal of cases reported during the year:—  (i) Placed under informal supervision  (ii) Placed under guardianship  (iii) Admitted to hospital  (iv) Died or removed  Totals	46  I	28  I 2	74  2 2
iotais	47	31	78

TABLE III

Particulars of Subnormals on 31st December, 1962

	Males	Females	Total
(a) Under Informal Supervision (b) Under Guardianship (c) In Hospitals (d) In Hostels	434 4 455 4	3 <sup>0</sup> 3 1 4 <sup>1</sup> 5 19	737 5 870 23
Totals	 897	738	1,635

TABLE IV
TRAINING CENTRES

	Ma	ıle	Female		
Centre	Under 16	Over 16	Under 16	Over 16	Totals
Training Centres Stanningley East Leeds Armley Grange North Leeds	57 75 	3 1 	43 40 2	3  48 	106 116 50 129
	144	121	85	51	401*
Sheltered Workshops North Leeds Pioneer Laundry		9 1			9 <b>3</b> 1
	••	10		30	40
Totals	144	131	85	81	441
	* Includes 17 West Riding cases.				

TABLE V
PSYCHIATRIC CARE AND AFTER-CARE

	Males	Females	Total
I. Hospital cases (St. James's)	94	139	233
2. After-care cases (Local Authority)	233	394	627
3. Total cases dealt with	327	533	860
4. New cases referred	128	199	327
5. Hospital Interviews After-care visits After-care Office Interviews	55 1,285 254	370 2,989 487	425 4,274 741
Total visits and interviews	1,594	3,846	5,440
6. Social Reports	43	61	104
Other Reports	41	63	104
Total	84	124	208



# **HOUSING ACTS, 1936-1961**

Repair, Individual Demolition, Clearance and Overcrowding

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Number of Houses.—The total number of houses and flats in the city on 31st December, 1962, was 175,753 made up of 49,181 back-to-back houses and 126,572 through houses and flats.

New Houses.—The number of permanent new houses and flats completed during the year was 2,946; of these 1,478 were built by the Corporation and 1,468 were erected by other bodies and persons. The Local Authority converted 37 houses into 86 flats; 36 houses were converted into 81 self-contained flats by private owners.

**Housing Shortage.**—The number of applications for houses on the registers at the Housing Department on 31st December, 1962, was 18,030 of which 16,100 were regarded as inadequately housed.

Overcrowding.—There is a further slight improvement, the percentage on Corporation Estates falling from 0.21 to 0.17. There are 47,729 occupied dwellings on the municipal estates in the city and the average percentage of overcrowding during the year was 0.17. 46 families who were living in overcrowded privately owned houses were rehoused in municipal dwellings. There were no applications for licences to permit temporary overcrowding.

The number of certificates of permitted numbers issued was 53.

Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954, and Housing Act, 1957.— No houses in Clearance Areas were considered to be of a sufficiently good standard to be retained as providing accommodation of a standard adequate for the time being.

# Housing Act, 1957, Part IV.—Overcrowding January 1st to December 31st, 1962.

	1962
Number of new cases of overcrowding discovered in houses owned by the Corporation	32
Number of cases of overcrowding in houses owned by the Corporation which have been relieved	47
in course of slum clearance operations A. No. of applications for Municipal dwellings known to	14
be statutorily overcrowded	270
B. No. of Municipal Estate dwellings provided to relieve statutory overcrowding	46

Gale Damage.—The year 1956 is memorable for a devastating gale which struck the city on the last night of February, causing widespread damage to buildings. February, 1962, produced two unprecedented gales within a period of five days, each lasting several hours. They occurred on Monday and Friday, February 12th and 16th, and were most severe in the early hours. Wind velocities up to 60 m.p.h. were recorded in the comparatively sheltered City Centre; in the suburbs, velocity must have been considerably greater. Whole houses were demolished, a church steeple and hundreds of domestic chimney stacks were blown down, and a pattern of damage appeared across the city such as one might expect in a tropical tornado. Damage affected new and old structures and there was extraordinary variation in the effect on apparently identical structures as though the gale had played tricks.

Hundreds of chimney stacks fell through house roofs when the inhabitants were in bed and that there should have been only one fatal casualty (due to a falling roof and chimney stack) is little short of miraculous.

It later transpired that the freak winds had come down a line on the East side of the Pennines and taken a turn into the West Riding industrial areas and that damage had been concentrated in this region, causing Leeds and other towns in the County severe damage. The Government recognised the severity of the damage and made a special financial contribution. An Emergency Committee, comprising local authority chief officials, representatives of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and insurance companies, was set up to assess damage, provide remedies and co-ordinate action, rather in the manner of action in time of air raids. The immediate priorities were :—temporary shelter and food for those displaced, rehousing of persons whose dwellings had become uninhabitable, drying of bedding and furniture wetted by absence of roofs, demolition of dangerous structures, clearing of debris, providing temporary cover to roofs, making a census of damage to assess its full extent and later carrying out permanent repairs.

Damage was greatest in the still-standing represented slum clearance areas. Certain proposed slum clearance areas suffered notably and were therefore brought forward in the Clearance Programme to ensure representation not later than next year.

There was appreciable gale damage to at least 25,000 houses (10,000 municipally owned and upwards of 15,000 privately owned), i.e. about one seventh of the city's dwellings. Some were so severely damaged as to be beyond repair; these were mainly in slum clearance areas and were dealt with by rehousing the occupiers, closing the properties and demolishing somewhat earlier than intended. Priority in rehousing gale victims was promptly introduced as temporary local authority policy. The most general damage was to roofs, chimney pots and stacks, causing considerable hardship in winter weather.

The City's Works Department took a lead in providing temporary first-aid repairs and the help of the Military and Civil Defence authorities in this work was sought and was forthcoming. Tarpaulins were fixed over gaping roofs; felt and battens were also largely used. Slates were replaced when possible but reslating was generally left for the second stage of proper permanent repairs to be executed by the owners' contractors.

The phase of first-aid repair covered six or eight weeks and was followed by work on permanent repairs which extended through the late spring and summer period. Apart from isolated cases, permanent repairs were completed before the following winter.

The Health Department acted as a clearing house for reports of damage. The public are accustomed to reporting disrepair to the public health inspector. From so much damage, reports were overwhelming at the very first but, quickly, inspection of properties led to an ordering of priorities.

Insurance was a potent matter. Those who had cover for storm damage were willing to face full repairs. On the other hand, many inexperienced owners of property which was quite worthy of repair had not the means to pay for it. The anticipated life of properties under the slum clearance programme was important in determining whether repairs on a large scale were justifiable.

The local authority quickly completed repairs to its own houses. Almost all private owners in areas unaffected by slum clearance did likewise. Informal notices were sent to all house owners as soon as damage was inspected, not for the purpose of applying legal pressure on them at such a difficult time, but to apprise them of the damage so that they could, as soon as may be, assess what needed to be done.

The houses in heavily damaged slum clearance areas presented difficulty. Action may be summarised thus:—

- (i) Where areas had been represented and confirmed; liaison with the Housing Department to expedite rehousing for really urgent cases.
- (ii) Where areas had been represented and Compulsory Purchase Orders made but Public Inquiries and/or "Confirmation" were awaited: liaison with owners and with the Housing Department to obtain "Undertakings" from the owners agreeing to earlier closure and thereby expediting rehousing of urgent cases.
- (iii) Where slum areas had not neen represented: in urgent cases "Undertakings" not to relet were sought from owners, then rehousing by the local authority, followed by "Closing Orders" on the property.

# GALE DAMAGE—ACTION TAKEN BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Action under the Housing Act, 1956	
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Gale damaged houses represented for Demolition Orders	4
Gale damaged houses represented for Closing Orders Undertakings not to relet passed to Housing Department	92
in respect of gale damaged properties in Clearance Areas  Houses owned by the Corporation certified unfit as a result	514
of gale damage	38
Action taken under Section 122, Leeds Corporation Act	
Total number seven days' notice to repair house roofs	39
Number of house roofs repaired by owners Number of house roofs repaired by local authority in	32
owners' default	5
Number of houses—work in hand	Ī
Number of notices cancelled and changed to Closing Order	I
Action taken under the Public Health Acts	
Number of notices served for gale damaged properties	1,791
Number of notices withdrawn*	29
	61
Number of notices not yet complied with	183

<sup>\*</sup> These notices were withdrawn because either the houses were vacated or undertakings not to relet were received.

**Unfit Houses.**—During the year 19,695 dwelling-houses were surveyed and examined and 9,351 nuisances and housing defects remedied. Houses numbering 1,849 found to be defective in one respect or another were repaired in response to notices served under the Public Health Act.

When private owners failed to remedy urgent housing defects or serious nuisances after the service of statutory notices, the Department carried out the necessary work as a matter of urgency. Such work in default was carried out to 9 houses under the Public Health Act at a cost of £23 IIs. IId., this amount being recovered from the owners.

**Demolition of Individual Unfit Houses.**—The number of Demolition Orders made was 33. In 135 houses, the demolition of which was inexpedient because of structural considerations, Closing Orders were made under Section 17, Proviso to Sub-Section 1 of the Housing Act, 1957.

The number of houses demolished was 42. 99 families consisting of 332 persons affected by either Demolition Orders or Closing Orders were rehoused by the City Council, while 9 families found their own accommodation; a further 23 houses were demolished by other Corporation Departments.

Clearance Areas.—During the year 5 areas comprising 25 houses were officially represented to the City Council; the occupants totalled 48. These figures are considerably less than the annual average. This temporary pause in representations was made because, at the beginning of the year, a long list of representations made in the previous year still awaited the making of Orders.

4 Public Inquiries were held in respect of 19 areas comprising 830 houses.

No. of houses	Clearance Areas	Date of Inquiry
184 170 21 3 53 5 394	Beecroft Street (Kirkstall) Nos. 1 to 5 Park Row (Kirkstall) Nos. 1 to 5 Leathley Road No. 1 Part and No. 2 Leathley Road No. 1 Part Leathley Road No. 1 Part Byron Street (North Street) Nos. 2 to 4 Robinsons Row (Seacroft) Leek Street (Hunslet)	 16.1.62 16.1.62 16.1.62 1.5.62 1.5.62 1.5.62 11.9.62

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government has "confirmed" 41 areas comprising 1,196 houses as compared with 28 areas involving 1,613 in the previous year.

The average number of persons per house in all areas represented during the year was 2.67. The number of houses demolished in confirmed Clearance Areas was 1,806.

23,768 enquiries about the position of houses in relation to the City Council's Slum Clearance Programme were answered.

The following table shows the number of houses examined by the Medical Officer of Health as part of the general survey of the City during the year ended 31st December, 1962, and the numbers represented or otherwise dealt with, pursuant to the Public Health Act and Housing Acts.

	1960	1961	1962
Number of new houses erected during the year	4,179	2,974	2,946
(i) By the Local Authority	2,966	1,545	1,478
(ii) By other bodies and persons	1,213	1,429	1,468
I Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year.			
(1) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for			
housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts		- 0-0	- (
and the number of inspections made	23,552	14,898	19,695
(2) Number of dwelling-houses (included under Sub- head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded			
under the Housing Consolidation Regulations, 1925,			
and the number of inspections made	3,006	5,642	9,351
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so	3,000	3,04-	9,334
dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for			
human habitation	3,290	3,041	219
(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those			
referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not			
to be in all respects reasonably fit for human			
habitation	2,572	1,990	3,579
2. Remedy of Defects during the year without Service of Formal			
Notices. Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in			
consequence of informal action	0.551	1,877	1,885
3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year.	2,551	1,0//	1,005
A.—Proceedings under Section 9 of the Housing Acts,			
1936 and 1957.			
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which			
notices were served requiring repairs			
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were ren-			
dered fit after service of Formal Notices:—			
(a) By owners		• •	• •
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners		• •	
B.—Proceedings under the Public Health Acts.  (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which			
notices were served requiring defects to be			
remedied	1,084	1,046	1,849
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects	1,004	1,040	-1-47
were remedied after service of formal notices :-			
(a) By owners	1,503	1,481	1.338
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	26	18	9
C.—Proceedings under Sections 17 and 18 of the			
Housing Act, 1957.			
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which			2.
(a) Demolition Orders were made	52	11	3.3
(b) Closing Orders were made:—	0	-	
(i) S. 18, H.A., 1957	9	5	135
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in	44	34	-33
pursuance of Demolition Orders	128	33	42
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The table below gives a summary of action under the Demolition, Closing and Clearance Sections of the Housing Act, 1957.

	1960	<b>1</b> 961	1962
SECTION 17—HOUSING ACT, 1957:—  No. of houses represented for demolition  No. of Demolition Orders made  No. of families concerned	59 52 47 126	7 11 10 25	46 33 28 87
Section 17 (1).—Housing Act, 1957:—  No. of dwellings represented for closing  No. of Closing Orders made  No. of families concerned	37 44 52 181	38 34 34 105	145 135 131 410
SECTION 18—HOUSING ACT, 1957 (Parts of Buildings):—  No. of dwellings represented for closing	9 9 9 34	5 5 5 26	3
No. of undertakings accepted from owners  No. of houses demolished  No. of houses (Parts of Buildings) closed  No. of houses closed  No. of families re-housed by Corporation at 31.12.62	22 1,269 9 44	11 2,106 4 29	64 1,938 1
(S.S. 17, 17(1) and 18, H.A., 1957)	113 40	52 21	99 66
No. of families who found own accommodation at 31.12.62 (S.S. 17, 17(1) and 18 H.A., 1957)	21 2,168	1,549	9 2,012
No. of families who found own accommodation (S.42, H.A., 1957) No. of houses referred for opinion but not represented	188 201	197	378 178
No. of dwellings represented (S. 17, 17(1) and 18 H.A., 1957) which stood in Slum Areas	67	35	152

Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958—Section 3 (2) (a).—Certificates of unfitness were furnished in respect of 59 houses owned by the City Council, and 23 demolished.

Certificates of Disrepair.—Details of the numbers of applications for Certificates of Disrepair and applications for cancellations of Certificates of Disrepair which have been dealt with since the Rent Act, 1957, came into force on 6th July, 1957, until 31st December, 1962, are given in the following table.

# RENT ACT, 1957. First Schedule

Applications for Certificates of Disrepair	
(1) No. of applications for certificates	1,341
(2) No. of decisions not to issue certificates	31
(a) in respect of some but not all defects	1,033
(b) in respect of all defects	248
of the First Schedule	992
proviso to Paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	4
(6) No. of certificates issued	249
Applications for Cancellation of Certificates of Disrepai	R
(7) Applications by landlords to Local Authority for cancellation	
of certificates	176
(8) Objections by tenants to cancellation of certificates	76
objections	35
(10) Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	135

Improvement Grants and Standard Grants.—The position from the commencement of the scheme for both improvement grants and standard grants is as follows:—

	Total from 16.7.53 to 31.3.62	16.7.53
Preliminary applications for Improvement Grant and/or Standard Grant received	5,647 780	6,977 901
Number of applications for Standard Grant refused Number of houses not suitable for Improvement Grant	54 1,183 365	79 1,558 507
received	326	2,523 4 <sup>6</sup> 3
approved by Local Authority	1,857 206 1,443	2,257 299 1,822

A brochure obtainable at the Health Department gives full particulars of Improvement Grants and Standard Grants and of loans obtainable from the City Council for improvement purposes.

Improvement by Area Procedure.—Since 1955 Leeds Corporation as continually encouraged the improvement of privately owned houses in certain areas by means of Improvement Grants and, as a result, the improvement of areas of well-built, though substandard, houses is now an important public health activity. 18 areas comprising 2,226 houses had been approved up to the end of 1962 and it is intended to report regularly further areas for improvement to the Housing Committee until all suitable sub-standard houses have been improved.

At first nearly all the applications for Improvement Grants were from owner-occupiers but since the improvement of houses by area procedure became established, applications for grants from owners of rented houses have come in faster and now nearly equal those from owner-occupiers. Of 2,537 formal applications from owners of private houses for Improvement Grants approved by the Leeds authority, 1,422 were for owner-occupied houses and 1,115 for rented houses.

The Leeds method of improvement of houses by area procedure aims at the comprehensive improvement of every house in an area and is intended to secure the provision of all twelve requirements of a discretionary improvement grant. This policy has three objects; firstly to secure greater use of improvement grants among properties of a suitable type; secondly, to avoid the difficulties which arise when some houses are allowed to decay close to or adjoining houses which have been improved, and thirdly, to obtain the complete improvement of sizeable groups of adjacent houses which are sufficiently well-built to justify improvement.

Areas of well-built houses, say 50 or 60 years old, of homogeneous type, are surveyed and, if judged suitable for improvement are defined on a map. A public health inspector makes a preliminary survey of all the houses in the area and notes the following particulars:—

Address, ownership, type of house, rent, occupants according to age, sex and relationship;

Number and type of rooms, existing amenities as regards W.C.s, baths, lavatory basins, hot water supply, foodstore, etc.

The map and a report of the survey is submitted to the Housing Committee for approval as an improvement area.

The Town Clerk then writes to the owners of houses in the area needing improvement, drawing attention to loans and grants available and indicating that if the owners do not wish to carry out works themselves with this help, the Council will be glad to negotiate purchase and do the improvement works. Ultimately, if such invitations do not bring the desired improvement, the Council proceeds to acquire the houses by Compulsory Purchase Order made under Sections 96 and 97 of the Housing Act, 1957, and has done so in respect of two areas already; both Compulsory Purchase Orders have been confirmed.

Every help is given by the staff of public health inspectors to owners in explaining and persuading, and generally facilitating such improvement grant work. If improvement of houses reduces living accommodation and overcrowding would result, the Council is willing to rehouse the occupiers on the understanding that the owner accepts tenants nominated from the Council's waiting list. Temporary rehousing, whilst works were being carried out, would also be arranged. Sometimes a tenant does not wish to accept the improvement but would be willing to be rehoused by the Council. Rehousing would be provided, subject to the Council nominating the new tenant for the improved house.

Compulsory Purchase Orders are not made where:-

- (a) Owner-occupied houses are in a satisfactory state of repair,
- (b) The owner gives an undertaking to "improve" within a reasonable time, and
- (c) Age or ill-health of occupants makes it undesirable to disturb them.

Some of our improvement areas have almost reached completion without the necessity for any Compulsory Purchase Orders as a result of personal interviewing of the owners by public health inspectors, followed by confirmatory letter from the Chief Public Health Inspector. This personal interviewing has been of very great assistance in helping owners to see the advantages that will accrue from the improvement of houses. The Improvement Grant Scheme is administered by the Public Health Department and all personal negotiations are carried out by the Chief Public Health Inspector or his staff.

The response of landlords of tenanted property has been quite good and compulsory powers have been exercised in only a small minority of cases.

Conversion Areas.—The City Council has continued its interest in the conversion into flats and maisonettes of houses which are, by present-day standards, too large for occupation by single families and which are the subject of a number of lettings without the provision of adequate facilities. Such houses should be properly converted into flats and maisonettes so that each occupier enjoys satisfactory self-contained accommodation.

Generally, such houses tend to be grouped in neighbourhoods and it is convenient to deal with them on an "area" basis after full preliminary surveys. Following survey, an initial approach is made to owners informing them that improvement grants and loans are available to meet the cost of conversion of houses into self-contained flats and maisonettes and that if they do not wish themselves to convert the houses, the City Council would be glad to acquire the houses and convert them.

Where owners are not willing either to improve their houses or to sell them to the Corporation, the City Council usually makes Compulsory Purchase Orders. The Ministry held Public Inquiries during the year in connection with such Compulsory Purchase Orders as follows:—

	No. of	
Name of Area	houses	Date
Studley Grange C.P.O. No. 3	26	19th June, 1962
Belle Vue Road (Part) C.P.O.	2	19th June, 1962
Reginald Terrace/Sholebroke	8	25th September, 1962
Avenue C.P.O.		

Since 1954, 22 such compulsory purchase orders in connection with 165 houses in multiple occupation have been made and confirmed as follows:

Studley Grange	 	 	••	105
Sholebroke Avenue	 	 		42
Hyde Park	 	 		I
Belle Vue Road	 	 		6
Miscellaneous Areas	 	 		II

IMPROVEMENT OF HOUSES BY AREA PROCEDURE

# STATE OF HOUSES IN AREA AT 31.12.62

	Date of Report to Committee for C.P.O.	5.7.1960	
	Number of Houses where no action taken by Owner: Re- commended for C.P.O.	13	13
	Number of Houses occupied by Aged and Infirm Persons where no action re- commended		
Local Authority	Number of Houses acquired or in course of acquisition by Local Authority	1377 1377 1377 144 151 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150	414
Private Owners	Number of Houses which have been improved or with amenities or in course of improvement	221 884 622 777 777 778 888 888 878 888 888 878 888 888	1,016
	Total Number of Houses in Area	197 190 190 144 146 80 80 80 98 77 117 171 172 128 84 84 110 1129 69	2,226
	Date of Approval of Area	14.7.1955 18.7.1957 18.9.1957 18.9.1958 18.12.1958 19.2.1959 15.3.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959 16.7.1959	:
	NAME OF AREA	Hill Street and Lincoln Road Noster Road, Beeston Colton Road, Armley Crosby Road, No. 2 East Park Road, No. 2 Sutherland Road, No. 3 Sutherland Road, No. 1 Sutherland Road, No. 3 Crosby Road, No. 4 Sutherland Road, No. 1 Sutherland Road, No. 3 Crosby Road, No. 4 Thornville Road, No. 4 Thornville Road, No. 1 Sutherland Road, No. 3 Crosby Road, No. 4 Thornville Road, No. 4 Sutherland Road, No. 4 Thornville Road, No. 1 Sutherland Road, No. 4 Thornville Road, No. 1	TOTALS
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Houses	143	107	51	က		)	81	552	47	135	33	162	22	25	:	:	:	:		: :		:	:	:	:	
Date when Order Confirmed	25.10.61	15.6.60	5.1.60	29.2.60	15.0.00		5.2.62	29.12.60	17.8.60	16.9.60	14.9.60	15.8.62	11.4.61	28.9.60	30.8.62	18.1.61	8.2.61	27.4.61	22 2 62	13.11.61	•	13.11.61	15.8.62	13.12.61	70.2.2	
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Date of Repre- sentation	16.4.59	16.4.59	16.4.59	16.4.59	21.5.59	60.0.1.	21.5.59	18.6.59	16.7.59	16.7.59	16.7.59	16.7.59	16.7.59	16.7.59	17.9.59	17.9.59	17.9.59	17.9.59	17.0.50	17.9.59		17.9.59	15.10.59	15.10.59	15.10.59	C.O.—Clearance Order.
Area	Balm Road (Hunslet) Areas 1, 2, 3, 4 New Princess Street (Elland Road)	Areas 1, 2, 3	Clowes Street (Jack Lane) Area	Dickinson's Yard, Armley, Area	Benson Street (Sheepscar) Area No. 2 Filand Street (Filand Road) Area	Wortley Road Clearance Areas 1, 2,	3, 4, 5	Wellington Koad Areas I, 2, 3 Red Lion Yard (Thwaite Gate) Areas	I, 2, 3, 4	fillen Street (munsiet) Areas I and	Great Wilson Street Areas 1, 2, 3	Park Row (Kirkstall) Areas 1, 2, 3, 4	Wyther Lane Area	Beeston Royds Areas I and 2	Leathley Road Areas I and 2	Johnston Street Area	Upper North Street Area	Scotland Mill Cottages Areas 1 and 2	nanover Street (Fark Lane) Areas I	Kendal Terrace (Kendal Lane) Area	Bedford Place (Park Lane) Areas 1,	2, 3, 4	Fark Kow (Kirkstall) Area No. 5	Chanel Allerton (Town Street) A reas	I, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10	0:0

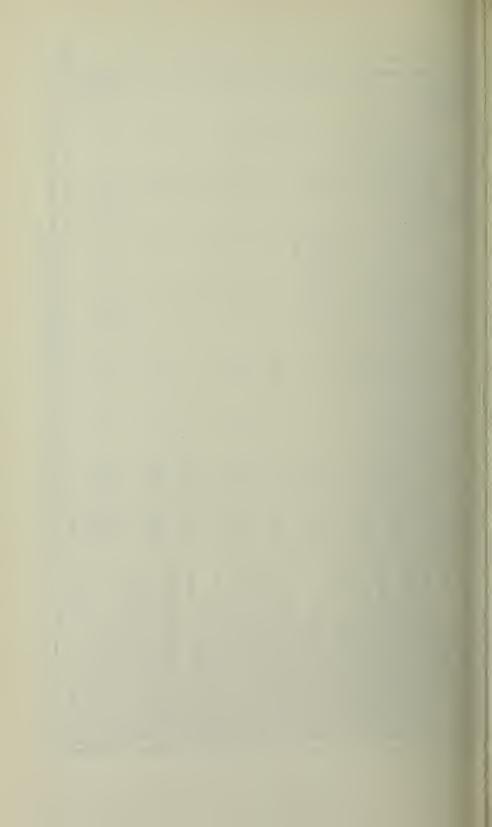
SUMMARY OF ACTION UNDER SECTION 42 OF THE HOUSING ACT, 1957-continued

No. of	houses Demol- ished	53	:	65	 I54	4	:	27	55	:	∞	:	:	:	:	
	Houses	:	:	:	::	:	:	:	::	:	:	:	:	:	:	
1	when Order Confirmed	7.9.62	9.10.62	19.5.61	1.2.62	2.11.62	:	21.11.61	11.9.61	12.12.61	:	8.3.62	:	8.3.62	:	:
	Date of Inquiry	1.5.62	:	19.1.01	31.1.61	16.1.62	:	30.5.61	30.5.61	19.6.61	:	19.01.01	:	10.01.01	:	:
	Date of making C.P.O. or C.O.	3.1.62	4.4.62	4.5.60	1.11.61	7.6.61	:	4.1.61	1.2.61	3.5.61	:	2.8.61	:	2.8.61	4.4.62	:
	Popula- tion	50	31	188	88	384	878	537	211	, 06	165	965	242	1,212	1,048	758
	No. of Houses	53	23	89	32 689	184	393	193	86 509	.50	99	203	66	302	394	294
	Type of Order	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.O. C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O. C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.	C.P.O.
Date of	Representation	15.10.59	15.10.59	15.10.59	15.10.59	19.11.59	18.2.60	17.3.60	17.3.60 21.4.60	19.5.60	19.5.60	14.7.60	15.9.60	15.9.60	14.11.60	14.11.60
	Area	Byron Street (North Street) Areas 2,	Edgrave Street (Wade Lane) Areas	Areas I and 2	Area Kirkstall Road (West) Areas I and 2 Recertoft Street (Kirkstall) Areas I	2, 3, 4 and 5	Areas Nos. 1 to 34 Hugh Street (Tong Road) Clearance	Areas Nos. 1 and 2	Clearance Area  Burmantofts (Burns Street) C.A  Oban Sanare (Armley) Clearance	7	Springfield Place (1 ittle Woodhouse)	C. Areas. Nos. 1. C. Areas. Rotheau Street (Rlland Road) C.		Teek (Hunslet) (Areas Nos.	Sack, 2, and 3	Areas Nos. 1 to 4

No. of houses Demolished	::	:	:	:	:	81	:	:	:	: ;		:	: :	:	:	:
Houses	23	:`		:	:	:	:	:	:			:	: :	:	:	:
Date when Order Confirmed	13.11.61	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	: :		: :	: :	:	:	:
Date of Inquiry	::	:	:	17.10.61	1.5.62	:	:	:	:	: :		•	: :	:	:	:
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AREA	Woodbine Square (Little Wood- house Street) Clearance Area Grove Road (Hunslet) C. D.	Areas Nos. 1 to 4	Areas Nos. 1 to 5  Dunkirk Hill (Canal Road) C. Areas	Nos. 1 and 2	Robinson's Row (Seacroft) Clearance Area	Clearance Areas Nos. 1 to 3	Millshow (Boston) Clearance Areas	Nos. 1 to 5	Seza Street (nunsiet) C. Alea Goodwin Road (Tong Road) Clearance Areas Nos. 1 to 3	Albury Terrace (Hunslet) Clearance	West End Terrace (Hyde Park)C.	Whingate C. Areas Nos. 1 and 2	Amen Corner (Kirkstall) C. Area	Meanwood Road (Buslingthorpe Lane) Clearance Area	Street I and	North Park Koad (Koundhay) C. Area

C.O.—Clearance Order.

C.P.O.—Compulsory Purchase Order.



Food Hygiene

### FOOD INSPECTION

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During 1962, 3,676 visits were paid by public health inspectors to premises in which foodstuffs intended for human consumption were prepared, stored or sold. 708 of these were to premises registered with the Local Authority under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, i.e. premises used for the sale or manufacture or storage of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale; the remaining 2,968 visits were to places not so registered, e.g. bakehouses, restaurants, cafes, canteens, butchers' shops, provision merchants, etc.

A considerable amount of work was done under the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960, in respect of food premises. 76 warning letters were issued pointing out contraventions of the Regulations or to require alterations to premises to bring them into line with modern standards. These letters and other action taken by public health inspectors have resulted in a large number of improvements to food premises of all types. Details of this work are contained in the table on page 195.

Restaurants and Cafes.—1,173 visits were paid to cafes and restaurants. The general standard of hygiene was found to be reasonably satisfactory. Offences not thought to warrant the institution of legal proceedings were dealt with by immediate contact with the proprietors of the premises concerned.

The public health inspectors who visit factories and workplaces inspect also, as a matter of routine, the canteens and messrooms provided for these places, An analysis of the work done under the provisions of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960, is given below:—

Walls, ceilings, floors, etc. improved	• •	18
Walls, ceilings, floors, etc. cleansed		39
Ventilation provided or improved		5
Articles, apparatus, clothing cleansed	• •	11
Personal washing facilities provided		6
Other washing facilities provided		3
Hot water supply provided		2
Accommodation for clothing provided	• •	4
First aid equipment provided	• •	19
Food storage accommodation provided or impro	ved	3
Sanitary accommodation provided or improved		3
Artificial lighting improved		I
Other improvements		10

**Ice-Cream Premises.**—During the year 247 visits were made to premises in the city used for the manufacture or sale of ice-cream.

**Fish-Frying Premises.**—One application for registration was approved during the year and 299 visits paid to registered premises.

Other Registered Food Preparing Premises.—During the year 262 visits were made to other registered food preparing premises such as those used for the manufacture of sausage or preparation of pork products, meat pies, jams, pickles and sauces. Eight applications for registration of premises used for one or other of such purposes were granted subject in one case to alterations to the premises.

Statistics with regard to the registration of premises under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, are set out in the following table.

### REGISTRATION

Number of premises registered for the manufacture of ice-cream during 1962	3
Number of premises registered for storage of ice-cream during 1962	
Number of premises registered for the sale of ice-cream during 1962	19
Number of premises registered for the preparation or manufacture of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale (1 fried fish shop, 8 manufacturers of sausages, potted meat, meat pies, etc.)	9
Number of notifications of change of occupier received:— ice-cream premises	21
food-preparing premises	18
Number of premises removed from register:—  Ice-cream premises (manufacture)	16
Ice-cream premises (storage)	• •
Ice-cream premises (sale)	22
Food preparing premises	15
Number of premises on the register 31st December, 1962:— (a) used for manufacture of ice-cream	29
(b) used for the sale of ice-cream	1,825
(c) used for the storage of ice-cream intended for sale	10
$(d)$ used for the manufacture of sausages, or preparation of preserved food $\dots$ $\dots$ $\dots$	775

# Legal Proceedings—Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.—

- (a) A butcher was prosecuted for smoking in a food room in which there was open food—found guilty and given a conditional discharge on payment of 4s. costs.
- (b) The occupier of a wet fish shop was prosecuted for smoking in a food room in which there was open food—a fine of f to was imposed.

(c) A stallholder in the open market (adjoining the main Kirkgate Market) was prosecuted in respect of the exposure for sale of unsound grape-fruit and the absence of name and address of the owner of the stall itself. His assistant was charged with aiding and abetting the first offence. A fine of £5 was imposed on the stall-holder in respect of the exposure of the unsound grape-fruit, the assistant being granted an absolute discharge. A conditional discharge was granted in relation to the omission of name and address of the owner on payment of 4s. costs.

Food Sampling.—Supervisory Inspector H. Long reports that the inspectors in the Food and Dairies Section took 189 formal and 607 informal samples of food and 3 formal and 30 informal samples of drugs during the year for the purpose of chemical analysis. Legal proceedings were instituted in two cases in accordance with details set out on page 157. Offences other than those subject to legal action were taken up with the manufacturers or other persons concerned.

The results of sampling show that adulteration of food is now almost extinct and that the majority of complaints relate to extraneous matter in food. This, together with the labelling of food and misleading food advertisements, is now the chief concern of the sampling officer. It was necessary to institute legal proceedings in only a few of the cases listed on page 156. There have, however, been several complaints to the Department by members of the public which have called for enquiries by the inspectors.

In January a bag of flour submitted by a complainant was found to contain a piece of raw liver and a piece of raw steak; tests proved both of these to be of bovine origin. The complainant, not being aware of the nature of the extraneous matter, was quite adamant that this could not have got into the flour at her home. The inspectors' investigations showed that the liver and steak could not have been in the flour when it left the manufacturers' premises, and a further visit to the complainant's home revealed that members of the household often coated raw liver and steak with flour before cooking. It was, therefore, almost certain that the contamination of the flour was of domestic origin.

Another complaint received by the Department related to a bag of rice containing 77 mouse droppings. A visit paid to the shop premises revealed a major mouse infestation. The practice was to fill the bags of rice in a small store at the rear of the shop; this store was found to be neglected and the equipment and tables badly situated. As a result of this visit the whole of the shop premises were reconstructed and brought up to the standards required by the Food Hygiene Regulations.

Another of the complaints received related to a bottle of lemonade which had been taken to a patient in a Leeds hospital. The lemonade had a strange burning taste, and on examination it was found to be contaminated with 26 parts per million of phenol. Subsequent investigations were made but the facts did not justify legal proceedings.

Two formal samples of Rose Hip Syrup from different manufacturers were submitted for analysis. In both cases artificial colouring matter was present. There was no declaration of this on the labels and on taking up the matter with the manufacturers concerned, both agreed to amend their labels.

A packet of sweets sold under the name "Life Savers" contained sweets of four colours. The red, orange and yellow sweets contained permitted colours, but the green sweets contained Brilliant Blue FCF and Tartrazine. Brilliant Blue FCF is not a permitted colour in this country but is permitted in the United States of America. It was found that the wholesaler had purchased the sweets from the U.S.A. in order to supplement British produced stock. The manufacturer undertook to withdraw from sale all stocks containing non-permitted colouring matter and to see that they were not used in future.

Two samples of drugs have been the subject of prolonged investigation. The first, Essence of Pennyroyal, was sold in a bottle labelled "Glycerinated Essence of Pennyroyal B.P.C.". This title does not constitute an appropriate designation within the meaning of the Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941, and it is not included in either the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex. A further objection was the large quantity (3 ozs.) that had been sold without any enquiries as to intended use. The firm concerned undertook to be more careful in the sale of this article and to amend the label, omitting "B.P.C.".

A sample sold under the designation "Bronchials" had a statement on the label "For coughs and colds". This statement, in conjunction with the name, was considered to constitute a recommendation as a medicine. The label should have given the quantities of the active constituents as required by Section II of the Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941. On representations being made, the manufacturer agreed that the label should be amended omitting the words "For coughs and colds".

Ice-Cream Sampling.—During the year 94 samples of ice-cream were taken from the places of manufacture and from local vendors for bacteriological examination. Of this number, 8 were classified as unsatisfactory and II as very unsatisfactory. All results were notified to vendors and manufacturers. Where samples were unsatisfactory, visits were paid to the premises of production for the purpose of advising the manufacturers on improved methods.

Details of the bacteriological results are as follows:—
METHYLENE BLUE TEST

Grade	No. of Samples	Percentage	Remarks
1	61	65.0	Good
2	14	15.0	Satisfactory
3	8	8·o	Unsatisfactory
4	11	12.0	Very unsatisfactory

**Bacteriological Examination of Food.**—36 samples of foods were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service for bacteriological examination as follows:—

Article of food	No.	of Samples Submitted
Toffee	 	13
Tinned shrimps	 	I
Cream cake	 	I
Imitation cream	 	I
Buttered cream	 	I
Vegetable salad (tinned)	 	I
Mushroom Pattie	 	I

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Ice-cream			2
Cooked mussels in jar			I
Pork pie			2
Frozen whole hen egg	• •		7
Savoury			I
Cream doughnut		• •	I
Apple and cream pie			I
Calves' liver sausage			I
Sausage	• •	• •	I

Extraneous Matter in Food.—The following complaints of foreign matter in food were received by the Department during the year:—

Hairpin in sponge cake Maggots in chocolate bar Charred bread in loaf

Raw liver and pieces of steak in bag of flour

Beetle in bread roll Dirt in milk bottles

Vegetable debris and dust in a "Frozen Dinner for One"

Metal nut and washer in packet of sausages

Splinter of wood in cream cake

Beetle and brush hairs in loaf

Insect baked in crust of loaf

Metal ball-bearing in slice of bread

String in cake

Rodent droppings alleged to be in loaf (proved to be carraway seeds)

Charred pastry in cream cake

Large piece of metal in filling to eclair

Disinfectant in lemonade

Hessian on base of cake

Pastry brush bristles in plum pie

Small stone in tin of peas

Foreign matter in bottle of stout (proved to be charred malt)

Metal nut in corned beef

Insect in jar of pickled herrings

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Mould in cream puff
Mould in steak and kidney pie
Mould in pork pie
Rust inside tin of vegetable salad
I" nail in sponge cake
Bandage in tin of luncheon meat
\[ \frac{1}{4}\]'' screw in teacake
Glass in tomato sandwich
Cigarette end in walnut and date loaf

**Legal Proceedings.**—Prosecutions were taken in connection with the last five complaints listed above with the following results:—

Article	Extraneous Matter	Result of Hearing
Spongecake	Contained metal nail	Fined £20 with £1 14s. 6d. costs. Manufacturer.
Tin of luncheon meat	Contained finger bandage	Fined £20. Manufacturer.
Teacake	Contained metal screw	Fined £5. Baker.
Tomato sandwich	Contained a piece of glass	Fined £5 with £5 13s. 10d. costs. Retailer.
Walnut and date loaf	Contained cigarette end	Fined £10. Manufacturer.

The following table sets out details of prosecutions taken during the year in connection with samples of food found to be unsatisfactory by reason of adulteration or deficiency.

No. of sample	Article	Adulteration or deficiency	Result of Hearing
945/R	Pork sausage	13.8% deficient in meat	Granted a Conditional Discharge and ordered to pay £3 5s. costs. Manufacturer.
8 <sub>55</sub> /S	Pork sausage	30.0% deficient in meat	Fined £10 and ordered to pay £3 5s. costs. Manufacturer.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951.—The licences of three premises used for the manufacture of rag flock and one for the storage of rag flock were renewed. The total number of registered premises in the city remains at 55. Three samples, consisting of rag flock, woollen mixture felt and cotton felt, were taken during 1962. All proved satisfactory and the manufacturers were notified accordingly.

Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933 (Part II).—The administrative year for the purpose of the above Act extends from May 1st to April 30th. The work done during the year ended 30th April, 1963, is set out in the following table:—

Persons on the List on 30th April, 1962	302 16 39 279
Premises on the List on 30th April, 1962	406 22 42 386
Visits paid to:—  1. Listed premises in connection with new applications 2. Listed premises in connection with unpaid fees 3. Listed premises for routine inspection 4. Unlisted premises	 9 
Contraventions:— Persons found to be selling Part II Poisons on Unlisted premises	
in stock	••
subsequently applied for Listing Listed Sellers who have corrected labels found to be not in accordance with requirements as to labelling	

Legal Proceedings.—It was not found necessary to institute legal proceedings under the Pharmacy and Poisons Act during the year.

Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941.—No contraventions of this Act came to the notice of the Department during the year.

Fertiliser and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926.—25 informal samples of fertilisers were taken under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 22 of these samples being classified as satisfactory and 3 unsatisfactory. The unsatisfactory samples were as follows:—

Article	Irregularity	Action taken
Liquid Manure (Concentrated)	Potash 2.04% in excess of stated amount	Letter to manufacturers.
Organic Tomato Fertiliser	Soluble phosphoric acid 0.9% less than stated amount, insol. phosphoric acid 0.9% in excess of stated amount. Potash 1.4% below stated amount.	Letter to manufacturers.
Garden Fertiliser	Soluble phosphoric acid 1.7% less than stated amount, insol. phosphoric acid 1.7% in excess of stated amount. Potash 3.4% below stated amount.	Letter to manufacturers.

### SAMPLING OF MILK

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The sampling officers in the Food and Dairies Section took, in all, 3,257 samples of milk for examination. This figure is made up of 2,474 chemical samples, 608 bacteriological samples and 175 biological samples. The chemical samples included 68 Channel Island milks.

The average composition of milk brought into the city shows a total solids content of 12.53 per cent., made up of 3.78 per cent. fat and 8.76 per cent. solids-not-fat. Out of the 2,474 samples submitted for chemical analysis there were, however, 254 samples (or 10.26 per cent.) which showed solids-not-fat of less than 8.5 per cent.

There is little doubt that the milk quality scheme introduced by the Milk Marketing Board is now showing an effect on the compositional quality of milk arriving at the large dairies. From the results kept by the laboratory staff of the dairy companies and the final results obtained through Departmental sampling, it would appear that perhaps the time has now arrived when sampling procedure at the larger dairies can be modified and more attention paid to the Farm Bottled Milks which are on sale in this city. A surprising feature of the new scheme of the Milk Marketing Board is that it allows for a lower solids-not-fat content than that laid down in the Sale of Milk Regulations.

During the year one large dairy company introduced cartons for milk distribution on a fairly substantial scale. The carton of milk is undoubtedly the method of distribution which the public will demand in future years.

Adulterated Milk.—Of the samples chemically analysed 8 were reported unsatisfactory; 7 of them contained added water and one showed fat deficiency. In no case, however, was the analytical result such as to warrant the institution of legal proceedings.

Radioactivity in Milk.—Samples were again submitted for radioactivity tests but the results did not show any significant rise in the levels of Iodine-131. These samples were discontinued at the end of the nuclear test period.

Dairy Inspection and Milk Sampling.—The following visits were paid by the Food and Drugs Inspectors:—

To pasteurising and ster	ilising	plants		 649
Other visits of enquiry	• •		• •	 426
Attendance at Court				 12
Visits in connection with	adulte	erated sa	mples	 82

During the year 608 samples of designated milks were submitted to the City Analyst for bacteriological examination. The samples were taken from dairies and, in a few cases, from retailers in the street. Samples taken were:—

" Pasteurised					I	71
" Tuberculin	Tested ''	(Paster	ırised)		I	49
"Sterilised"					••	96
"Tuberculin	Tested "	(Farm	Bottled)	)	і	92

**Bacteriological Examination of Milk.**—None of the 608 samples submitted to the City Analyst for bacteriological examination failed to pass the methylene blue test,

# METHYLENE BLUE (REDUCTION) TEST

		Result of Test			
Designation	Total Samples	Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory	
	Taken	No.	Percent- age	No.	Percent- age
Pasteurised   Dairies   Schools   Tuberculin   Tested (Pasteurised)	96 75	96 <b>75</b>	100.0	::	:
Dairies Tuberculin Tested (Farm	149	149	100.0		
bottled) Dairies	192	192	100.0		

# PHOSPHATASE TEST

			Result o	f Test	
Designation	Total	Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory	
Designation	Samples Taken	No.	Percent- age	No.	Percent- age
Pasteurised   Dairies	96	96	100.0		
Tuberculin Tested	75	75	100.0		••
(Pasteurised) Dairies	149	149	100.0	•••	

# TURBIDITY TEST

		Result of Test			
Distriction	Total Samples Taken	Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory	
Designation		No.	Percent- age	No.	Percent- age
Sterilised	96	96	100.0		

Dairies and Milk Sellers.—The following tables show the number of registered dairies and milk sellers in the city:—

# DISTRIBUTORS OF MILK AND DAIRY PREMISES.

	Dairies	Distrib- utors of milk
No. on the register on 31st December, 1961	23	27
No. added to the register during the year		
No. removed from the register during the year	I	I
No. on the register on 31st December, 1962	22	26

# DISTRIBUTORS OF BOTTLED MILK ONLY

No. of distributors of milk on the register on 31st December, 1961	832
No. added to the register during the year	60
No. removed from the register during the year	32
No. of distributors of milk on the register on 31st December, 1962	86o
No. of shops, etc., from which bottled milk only is sold, on 31st December, 1962	1,119

# LICENCES ISSUED UNDER THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) REGULATIONS, 1960

Description	Number in force on 31st December			
*	1960	1961	1962	
To use the designation "Tuberculin Tested"  1. To sell by retail To use the designation "Pasteurised"—	150	153	154	
I. Pasteurisers' Licences	3	3	2	
2. To sell by retail	159	161	168	
To use the designation "Sterilised"—  1. Sterilisers' Licences  2. To sell by retail	1,073	2 1,031	2 1,094	

**Biological Examination of Milk.**—During the year 77 samples of milk were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service at Leeds for biological examination for the presence of tubercle bacilli. The results are shown in the following table.

			Result of	Test	
Designation	Total	Positive		Negative	
Designation	Samples Taken	No.	Percent- age	No.	Percent- age
Tuberculin Tested	73			73	100.0
Pasteurised					ļ ·
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised)					
Ungraded	4			4	100.0
Total	77	••		77	100.0

Brucella Abortus Samples.—80 samples of Tuberculin Tested milk were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service for examination for the above organism. 18 proved positive. All these samples were taken from the herd mentioned in the report on an outbreak of brucellosis set out below.

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959—Regulation 20.—One Regulation 20 notice was served during the year, this being in the case of the herd infected with brucella abortus mentioned in the report below. The notice was withdrawn following the isolation and subsequent slaughter of five affected animals, after having been in force for ten days.

Brucella Abortus.—The investigation into milk affected with brucellosis followed upon notification from a neighbouring authority that a milk sample taken in their area had been found positive.

The milk came from a dairy herd on premises within the city. The farm was visited and the herd divided into small groups. Samples were taken from each group and two of the groups proved positive on the ring test. Without waiting for cream culture results, the two groups were then sampled individually, a total of 15 beasts being involved. From these samples it was found that five cows were positive on the ring test and later it was reported that four of the five cows showed a positive result on the cream culture test. As a result of these findings it was decided that a notice for compulsory heat treatment should be served on the farmer under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959. On receipt of this Notice, the farmer decided that he did not wish to retain the infected animals and arrangements were made for their slaughter.

Within a short time of the first outbreak, it was also found that a further sample of milk from the same herd contained brucella organisms. The same procedure was again adopted and on this occasion two cows were reported positive on the initial ring tests. Although both these animals proved negative to the cream culture tests, subsequent guinea pig inoculation tests demonstrated that one animal was positive for brucella. This animal was also sent for immediate slaughter.

Perhaps the most surprising feature of this outbreak was that every animal on the farm had been inoculated against brucellosis and the farmer would not allow any animal to be added to his herd until inoculation had taken place.

# **MEAT INSPECTION**

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Animals Slaughtered.—During the year 298,773 animals were slaughtered for human consumption at the Public Abattoir and the private slaughterhouses in the city, a decrease of 11,320 on the figure for 1961. The following table gives an analysis of the animals slaughtered.

Animals Slaughtered at the Public Abattoir and Private Slaughterhouses

	Year	Cattle ex.Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
Public Abattoir	J 1961	28,664	9,149	23,309	165,435	24,936	251,493
Public Abatton	1962	27,979	11,145	18,667	152,327	26,431	236,549
Darriba Band	∫ 196 <b>1</b>	3,663			10,700	9,196	23,559
Danube Road	1962	3,462			10,271	8,635	22,368
-c Caldeni Dani	∫1961	1,370		1,062	6,776	17,995	27,203
16 Gelderd Road	1962	1,197	405	752	10,878	18,430	31,662
ar 1 11 Ct	<b>∫1961</b>	221		2	1,154	1,387	2,764
Marshall Street, Cross Gates	1962	304			1,262	1,802	3,368
	∫1961	321	34		1,269		1,624
Cross Lane, Wortley	1962	369	15		1,238		1,622
	<b>[ 1961</b>					3,450	3,450
Harrison's Yard Bramley	1962		4	••		3,204	3,204

**Private Slaughterhouses.**—The licences of the following five private slaughterhouses were renewed during the year:—Leeds Industrial Co-operative Society, Ltd., Danube Road, Leeds; Messrs. T. Adamson and Sons, 16, Gelderd Road, Leeds; Mrs. S. U. Wilson and H. Lunn (trading as Wilson's), Marshall Street, Crossgates, Leeds; Messrs. C. H. and J. W. Ellison, Cross Lane, Wortley, Leeds; and Mr. E. Taylor, Harrison's Yard, Bramley, Leeds. All have been conducted satisfactorily throughout the year.

Licensing of Premises for the Confinement of Animals awaiting Slaughter.—In accordance with Section 63(2) of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, applications were granted or renewed for the confinement of animals awaiting slaughter at a slaughterhouse, namely, Leeds Industrial Co-operative Society, Leeds., (lairages in Geldered Road) and fields in York Road in the occupation of Messrs. Wilson.

Knacker's Yard.—There is only one knacker's yard in the city. This is Mr. J. R. C. Wilkinson's yard at 133, Carr Moor Side, Hunslet. The premises were well maintained and conducted during the year. Accordingly, the licence to use these premises for the slaughter of animals not intended for human consumption was renewed. The return required under the Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958, showed the number of horses dealt with to be:—

	1961	1962
Horses slaughtered at the knacker's yard	7	
Horses slaughtered at collieries	18	17
Horses slaughtered at farms and		
customers' own premises	12	II
Horse carcases received	30	42

**Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958.**—During the year 15 new licences to slaughter or stun animals were granted by the City Council and 124 were renewed.

Whole and Part Carcases Condemned.—The following table shows the different species of animal and the number of whole carcases or parts condemned for tuberculosis, cysticercosis and other diseases.

# CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle (exclud- ing cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed Number Inspected	33,311	11,565	19,419	175,976 175,976	58,502 58,502
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCI Whole carcases condemned Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned Percentage of numbers inspected affected with diseases other	7 2,551	50 839	203	331 8,406	123
than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	7.68	7.68	1.08	4.96	7.21
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases condemned Carcases of which some part or	2	I			11
organ was condemned Percentage of numbers inspected	41	9	I		110
affected with tuberculosis	0.13	0.08			0.31
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration Generalised and totally condemned	26 2	2			

Tuberculosis.—The incidence of tuberculosis in cattle continues to decline. Cases of bovine tuberculosis discovered at the city slaughterhouses are reported to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for veterinary investigation at the premises of origin. A number of animals which were tubercular reactors were received at the Public Abattoir during the year, having been moved under licence for slaughter.

Cysticercus Bovis and Ovis.—Inspection continued during the year in the prescribed manner for the detection of these conditions. 26 bullocks and 2 cows were found to be infested with Cysticercus Bovis. 2 beast carcases were subjected to treatment by refrigeration. Animals infested with this parasite emanated from premises scattered over a wide area; the areas from which they originated were those associated with the activities of hikers and anglers.

The Slaughterhouse (Meat Inspection Grant) Regulations, 1958.—The number of animals slaughtered in Leeds exceeds the city's requirements. This fact is indicated in the following table, which sets out the statistics upon which an application for a meat inspection grant was based:—

Total units inspected	,		1961–62 1,070,741	1962–63 1,014,796
*Datum figure	769,950	772,140	7 <sup>6</sup> 7,475	771,960
Export figure	139,200	194,182	303,266	242,836

<sup>\*</sup>Datum figure based upon population × 1.5 caput figure.

Disposal of Condemned Food.—The wholesale butchers themselves undertook the disposal of condemned carcases in their ownership, this material being consigned to the firm of A. Bryant and Co., Jerusalem Farm, Thornton, Bradford. Condemned offal is consigned to Messrs. A. Schofield (Pontefract) Ltd., all such material being stained with vegetable dye before its removal from the slaughterhouse premises for sterilisation and conversion into meat meal for animal feeding purposes and for manufacture into fertilisers.

Other condemned food is disposed of by incineration at the Corporation Destructors.

Disposal of Bones, Sheep and Calf Heads.—This material is also disposed of to Messrs. A. Schofield (Pontefract) Ltd., for conversion into fertilisers and animal feeding meal.

Meat and Other Foods Condemned as Unsound.—The total weight of food destroyed by consent during the year was 272,399 lbs. as compared with 294,263 lbs. in the previous year. Details of food destroyed are given in the table which follows.

MEAT, ETC., DESTROYED BY CONSENT

	1962	1961	1960	1959
Beef	30,563 lbs.	40,788 lbs.	66,438 lbs.	94,203 lbs.
Veal	7,616 ,,	9,514 ,,	6,045 ,,	5,649 ,,
Mutton	15,896 ,,	18,073 ,,	16,730 ,,	25,701 ,,
Pork	16,017 ,,	14,911 ,,	18,524 ,,	18,973 ,,
Offals	89,249 ,,	78,028 ,,	109,739 ,,	145,669 ,,
Bacon and Ham	391 ,,	907 ,,	773 ,,	313 "
Rabbits	1,073 ,,	699 ,,	282 ,,	1,467 ,,
Poultry	510 ,,	782 ,,	715 ,,	1,476 ,,
Game	4 ,,	151 ,,	84 ,,	509 ,,
Fish	5,405 ,,	9,049 ,,	9,905 ,,	16,123 ,,
Shellfish	1,524 ,,	2,050 ,,	6,596	FIT 4
Vegetables	50,079 ,,	57,609 ,,	117,780 ,,	96,938 ,,
Fruit	5,737 ,,	11,774 ,,	23,065 ,,	-6 -0-
Tinned goods	.6 .0.	45,769 ,,	50,835	.6.262
Cheese	481 ,,	292 ,,	223 ,,	70
Edible fungi	0.0	116 ,,		204
Bread and Cereals	33 ,,			470
Flour			1,605 lbs.	T.40
Confectionery	151 lbs.		51 ,,	140 ,,
Sundries	1,565 ,,	3,751 lbs.		3,989 lbs.
- Sundries	1,303 ,,	3,/31 103.	4,273 ,,	3,909 103.
Totals	272,399 lbs.	294,263 lbs.	433,737 lbs.	475,867 lbs.
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Shellfish.—Fifteen samples of mussels were taken during the year for the purpose of bacteriological examination. Twelve of these samples came from layings in Wales and three from Denmark. The number of faecal coli reported to have been present and the relevant number of samples are indicated in the table below.

No. of samples	Faecal coli per ml. present	Grade
7	less than I	I
3	I	I
2	2	I
I	3	I
I	16	3
I	more than 18	3

During the year a survey was undertaken by the Meat and Other Foods Inspectors with a view to establishing the principal origins of shellfish coming into the city. These were found to be consigned mainly from Welsh and Danish layings, with smaller quantities from Ireland.

The two samples (both from the same source) classified as Grade 3 were reported to the Sub-Health (Sanitation, Food and Drugs) Committee and details of the samples were forwarded to the appropriate Local Authority in accordance with Section 4 of the Public Health (Shellfish) Regulations, 1934.

During the year a copy of an Order issued by a Local Authority on the East Coast was received. The Order was made as a result of action initiated by this Department and specified that all mussels sold from this source were to be cleansed at an approved establishment or relaid in pure water or, alternatively, sterilised by steam in an approved manner.

Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1923.—Three infringements were noted by the inspectors during the year. These were reported to the local officer of the Fishmongers' Company with a view to action by the Company.

**Fruit and Vegetables.**—The quality and grading of these commodities has improved over the past year. In the case of fruit, this is due in part to the influence of the Home Grown Fruit Association and the increasing use of non-returnable boxes. The improvement of vegetables can be traced to the greater use of crates in substitution for nets.

**Rabbits.**—A further increase in the weights of rabbits condemned during the year was recorded. The numbers originating from British sources declined, most of the rabbits being imported from Australia and China.

**Fish.**—The introduction of frozen fish into the market has adversely affected the wet fish trade. Good fish is, however, still expensive. A further increase in the use of non-returnable containers has affected an improvement in the standard of hygiene in this field.

Salmonella Research Samples.—The Department was again requested by the Public Health Laboratory Service to insert swabs in the drainage system of the Public Abattoir and one other slaughterhouse in the city. The swabs were later submitted to bacteriological examination and typing in connection with a programme of research into human food-borne infections.

# DISEASES OF ANIMALS

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**Tuberculosis Order, 1938.**—No cases of bovine tuberculosis were reported during the year but a number of tuberculin reactors were received at the Public Abattoir, having been moved from the premises of origin under licence.

Swine Fever Order, 1938.—Eighteen cases of suspected swine fever occurred at premises in Leeds; six of them were at piggeries, the remainder being reported from the city slaughterhouses. Carcases from infected places were disposed of by incineration at a Corporation Destructor under letter of authority from the Chief Public Health Inspector. In the cases diagnosed at the city slaughterhouses, the appropriate portion of the premises was declared to be an "Infected Place" under the Diseases of Animals Act, pending completion of cleansing and disinfection under Departmental supervision.

Regulation of Movement of Swine Order, 1959.—Swine Fever (Infected Areas Restrictions) Order, 1956-58.—During times when swine fever shows no special prevalence, the movement of swine is controlled by the Regulation of Movement of Swine Order, but at times when the disease shows a tendency to become widespread more specific powers are conferred on the Local Authority by the declaration of Swine Fever Infected Areas. Two such Infected Area Orders made during 1962 included parts of the city and the Leeds area was subject to restrictions for several months. During these times the movement of all swine was controlled by licence and the Whitkirk Auction Mart was permitted to operate in respect of animals for immediate slaughter only.

During 1962, 7,595 licences were issued to personal applicants at Market Buildings, and 197 licences were granted at the Whitkirk Auction Mart for animals being moved to slaughterhouses and bacon factories.

One warning letter was despatched to a pig-keeper who had failed to isolate his animals for the requisite number of days on completion of a movement.

**Foot-and-Mouth Disease.**—No outbreaks of this disease occurred within the city during the year and the city was not directly affected by any restrictions imposed under the Foot-and-Mouth Disease Order.

Fowl Pest Order of 1936.—Three suspected cases of fowl pest were reported during the year at farms or other premises in the city. Form A, declaring the premises to be an "Infected Place" for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Act, was served in each case. The disease was confirmed in all three cases. Carcases of infected flocks are disposed of by incineration by arrangement with the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

The Poultry Pens, Fittings and Receptacles (Disinfection) Order, 1952.—The Poultry Premises and Vehicles (Disinfection) Order, 1956.—During the year 32 inspectional visits were paid to poultry slaughterers in the city under the first-named Order and 29 under the latter, for the purpose of inspecting premises, vehicles and equipment. No contraventions warranting legal action were found.

The Warble Fly (Dressing of Cattle) Order, 1948.—Copies of the relevant statutory provisions were again delivered to cattle-owners throughout the city, together with pre-paid postcards for return to the Department in the event of the discovery of infestation. Ministry posters were displayed at various points in the city. 82 visits were paid to farms to inspect animals and 968 non-infested cattle were treated voluntarily by the farmers, a figure which is indicative of the continued co-operation of the farmers concerned. Infested animals were inspected by the Department's officers, as were animals consigned to farms in the city on importation licences. The number of infested cattle found showed a considerable decrease (62 as compared with II2 for the previous year).

The following table shows the work for the last three years:-

	1960	1961	1962
Visits paid to farms Cattle inspected on farms	82 591 45 133 133 701	544 57 112 112 573	70 1,103 45 62 62 62 968

Animals (Landing from the Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland) Order, 1955.—During the year, 3,484 Irish sheep and pigs were received under licence for immediate slaughter at the Public Abattoir and the L.I.C.S. Ltd. Slaughterhouse, Gelderd Road, a decrease of 2,153 as compared with the previous year.

Diseases of Animals Act, 1950 (Second Schedule).—6,444 bovine animals were imported under licence from Ireland for immediate slaughter, a decrease of 2,245 as compared with the previous year. 549 Irish store cattle were consigned from the ports of landing to farms in the city, an increase of 449 as compared with the previous year.

Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order, 1957.—One new application for a licence from a boiling plant operator was granted after the plant and equipment had been inspected and certain works had been carried out. 27 visits were paid in connection with the Order; the number of licensed operators is now 117.

Legal Proceedings.—The case of a vehicle transporting pigs from Buckinghamshire to Wetherby via Leeds during the operation of a Swine Fever Infected Areas Restriction Order was referred to the Town Clerk with a view to legal proceedings because the animals were being moved without a licence. The vehicle had been involved in a slight mishap within the city boundary which had necessitated de-trucking the animals in order that casualties could be consigned for immediate slaughter. It was decided that the matter be dealt with by sending a warning letter. There were no other contraventions necessitating legal proceedings.



## INSPECTION OF FACTORIES

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The Factories Act, 1961, requires the Medical Officer of Health to report in his Annual Report upon the administration of Part I (Health—General Provisions) and Part VIII (Home Work) of the Act.

The Factories Section of the Department deals with the inspection of factories and offices and with the administration of the Clean Air Act, 1956, particularly with the making of Smoke Control Orders. The inspection of shops is now carried out by district public health inspectors.

Factories.—The work done by the Factories Section under the Factories Act, 1961, is shown in the four tables on pages 179 to 181. The inspections were fewer than last year owing to the great amount of work done in connection with smoke control.

The tables which deal with outwork are compiled from inspections made by district public health inspectors, to whom this duty was transferred at the beginning of the year.

The Register of Factories contains the addresses of 160 non-mechanical and 2,791 mechanical factories. In addition, there were 69 premises to which Section 7 of the Factories Act, 1961 (provision and maintenance of sanitary accommodation) applies; these are mainly places where works of building and engineering construction are in progress.

25 visits were paid to sites on which works of building or engineering construction were in progress. The works on many of these sites began before the current year. Several verbal requests were made that satisfactory sanitary accommodation be provided or that existing accommodation be improved, and all were complied with. The larger sites where work is likely to continue for a long period are generally provided with water-closets and urinals, but the smaller sites often can accommodate only chemical closets in temporary structures. The disposal of the contents of these conveniences is a matter for arrangement with the Cleansing Department.

1,240 inspections of factories, both mechanical and non-mechanical, were made and 165 contraventions of the Act and other defects were found; 123 of these were remedied by the end of the year. Most defects were remedied immediately by the occupiers of factories following verbal intimation by the inspector, but 86 letters were sent out pointing out that contraventions existed. There has been no necessity during the year to institute proceedings to enforce compliance.

The table listing contraventions of the Factories Act on page 179 includes 50 reports received from H.M. Inspectors. 47 of these referred to unsuitable or insufficient sanitary conveniences for employees, and 3 to the lack of cleanliness in workrooms. All of these complaints have been dealt with. Three factories where no Abstract of the Act were displayed were referred to H.M. Inspectors for their attention as were reports of a defective and dangerous floor in a mechanical factory, of petrol fumes from a transport truck causing a nuisance in a factory, and fumes from a chemical process carried on in a factory.

The table which is headed "Other Matters" lists 146 bakehouses, of which 145 are mechanical bakehouses. There are also several small family bakehouses which H.M. Inspectors do not regard as registrable under the Factories Act. There are no basement bakehouses in the city certified as suitable under the Factories Act.

General.—Inspectors paid many visits to factories to deal with matters outside the scope of the Factories Act. For example, nuisances in factories are dealt with under the Public Health Act. smoke observations and inspection of boiler plant are carried out under the Clean Air Act, and factories in which food is prepared or handled are regularly inspected to ensure that the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, and the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960, are complied with. Details of this work are to be found in the general table printed on page 193 and include 50 visits to canteens and other food manufacturing premises. 32 contraventions of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations were discovered and dealt with. Under the Public Health Act, an investigation was made into fumes causing a nuisance from a patent machine for the colour printing of fabrics. Many other types of complaints are received, some of which concern factories registered under the Alkali, etc. Works Regulations Act, 1906. Close liaison exists with the District Inspector of Alkali Works and all complaints about registered factories are referred to him after the initial investigation by public health inspectors.

Defects in the structure of factory buildings may affect the health and comfort of workpeople and must be remedied. Such nuisances include leaking roofs, dampness due to defective and leaking rainwater fallpipes and eaves-spouts. Details of this work are included in the table of general work on page 195.

There is an arrangement between the City Engineer's Department and the Health Department whereby plans of new factories and offices submitted for planning and byelaw approval are referred to this Department for comment upon any aspect which may affect the health, safety and welfare of persons employed therein. Similar arrangements ensure that new food-preparing factories, factory canteens and kitchens, are so constructed as to comply with the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations.

Outworkers.—The number of outworkers on the August list was 815. 722 of these were concerned with the making of wearing apparel, 3 with the making or repair of umbrellas, one with the making of boxes, and 89 with textile weaving. 205 addresses of outworkers were received from other authorities and 272 sent from Leeds to other authorities,

Workplaces.—276 visits were paid to workplaces, including offices. In 4 cases only was it necessary to serve Notice requiring defects to be remedied.

**Shops.**—Under Section 38 of the Shops Act, 1950, 185 visits were made by public health inspectors, and in one case only was it necessary to require the provision of additional sanitary accommodation; otherwise conditions generally were found satisfactory.

Inspections for Purposes of Provisions as to Health (Including Inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

	Number	Number of			
Premises	on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted	
<ul> <li>(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities</li> <li>(ii) Factorics not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority</li> <li>(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premitty (excluding out-workers' premited by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers')</li> </ul>	160 2,791	17	2 84		
ises)	69	25			
Total	3,020	1,265	86		

## Cases in which Defects were Found

	No. of	No. of cases in			
Particulars			Refer	which prosecu-	
•	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	tions were instituted
Want of cleanliness (S. 1)	3	3		3	
Overcrowding (S. 2)					
Unreasonable Temperature (S. 3)					
Inadequate Ventilation (S. 4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors					
(S. 6)					
Sanitary Conveniences (S. 7)—					
(a) Insufficient	7	3		5	
(b) Unsuitable or defective	153	111		40	
(c) Not separate for sexes	2	3		2	
Other offences against the Act		3			
(not including offences relat-					1
ing to Outwork)			3		
			3	• •	
Total	165	120	3	50	

Noise.—The number of complaints of nuisance from noise and vibration is increasing. During the year 23 complaints were received of which 5 only were unjustified. 14 complaints were satisfactorily dealt with either by removal of machinery to new sites or by fitting silencing devices. 4 cases were still under investigation at the end of the year and these are proving particularly intractable; they all concern works in which sheet metal is reformed and shaped by hammering. There is no easy remedy for this type of nuisance. A difficulty in these cases is the gradual change of use of factories from one type of work to another. It is possible in collaboration with the Town Planning Section of the City Engineer's office to secure the siting of new factories in which noise may be produced in a position where no nuisance will be caused, but it is difficult to deal with a gradual change of user.

Notices requiring the abatement of noise nuisances have been served during the year but it was not necessary to institute legal proceedings against any offender; in general managements are ready to co-operate, and in some instances have spent considerable sums of money on re-organising their production lines and installing silencing equipment.

OUTWORK
Sections 133 and 134

	Sı	ECTION I	33	SE	CTION 13	34
Nature of Work	No. of out-workers in August list required by Sect. 133(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prose-cutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwhole- some premises	Notices served	Prose- cutions
Wearing apparel:— Making, etc., Cleaning and Washing Umbrellas The making of boxes	7 <b>22</b> 3					
or other receptacles orparts thereof made wholly or partially of paper Textile weaving	 1 89	:: ,	::	::	:: ,	
Total	815					

# OTHER MATTERS

Trans or Overworking property and Occurrence	February	August
LISTS OF OUTWORKERS RECEIVED FROM OCCUPIERS OF PREMISES IN THE CITY	149	149
(a) (i) Number of 'Contractors' in the City included in the above lists	211	201
included in the above lists (b) (i) Number of 'Outworkers' in the City included	28	26
in the above lists (ii) Number of 'Outworkers' outside the City	742	614
included in the above lists Details of $(a)$ (ii) and $(b)$ (ii) subsequently forwarded to other local authorities	127	91
LISTS OF OUTWORKERS RECEIVED FROM OTHER		
Authorities	13	12
(c) (i) Number of 'Contractors' in the City included in the above lists (ii) Number of 'Outworkers' in the City included	82	92
in the above lists	17	14
	Yearly	Total
Reminders to occupiers as to returns of Outworkers Visits of Inspectors to Homeworkers premises Homework in Unwholesome Premises:	353 301	
Instances		
Prosecutions		
Matters notified to H.M. Inspectors of Factories:— Failure to affix Abstract of the Factories Act, 1937,		
(S. 128)	3	
Notified by H.M. Inspectors Reports (of action taken) sent to H.M. Inspectors	50 42	
Total number of factories on Register The above includes 146 bakehouses	2,951	

### SANITATION

BY

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Water.—During the year 414 samples of drinking water were taken by the Department for bacteriological examination. Of these, 394 were taken from the Corporation's mains supply, 17 from springs, 2 from bore holes and one from a well. 15 samples of town's water were unsatisfactory but subsequent samples taken from the same domestic taps proved satisfactory. 10 samples taken from springs were unsatisfactory.

Sewage Disposal.—(Report of Mr. D. Currie, City Engineer).—During 1962, 6 per cent. of the bacteria beds were out of action while repairs were in progress. The corresponding figure for 1961 was 6 per cent. The average analyses of final effluent at Knostrop Sewage Works from January 1st to December 31st, 1962, were:—

Oxygen absorbed in 4 hours ... 2.84 parts per 100,000 Suspended solids .. ... 6.3 parts per 100,000

Extensive experimental work is still being carried out at Knostrop Sewage Works with a view to determining the best method of achieving the standard of effluent which will be required by the River Board. Consideration of the design for extensions as are envisaged is proceeding and it is anticipated that a programme of construction will commence in the comparatively near future.

Public Cleansing.—(Report of Mr. G. F. Mellor, Director of Public Cleansing).—Particulars of refuse collection and disposal during 1962 are as follows:—

	Tons
Household refuse and nightsoil collected	167,989
(a) dealt with at destructors	70,120
(b) disposed of at tips and for agricultural	
purposes	82,638
(c) Number of tons of cesspool contents dis-	
charged into Corporation sewers	15,231

The quantity of screened refuse dust sold as manure to farmers was 5,880 tons.

The number of dustbins provided and delivered to dwelling-houses in Leeds during the year was 7,007. The total number provided since the inception of the scheme in December, 1946, is 186,095.

Water Supply.—(Report of Mr. K. L. Forster, General Manager and Engineer of the Waterworks Department).—Bacteriologically the water was satisfactory during the year. In April there was some deterioration in the taste of the water due to algal growths in the storage reservoir at Eccup. Bacteriological examinations of raw water arriving at Headingley Filtration Works were made during the year and the water going into supply after filtration and chlorination was also classified. The following table shows the results of these examinations.

SUMMARY OF BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS

Raw Water Arriving at Headingley Filtration No. of Samples Count										
Probable No. of Coliform bacilli in 100 ml. water										
Water Going Into Supply After Filtration and Chlorination										
(a) Water ent	(a) Water entering the Distribution System									
Ministry of Health Classification (1956)										
No. of samples Examined	Class I	Cl	ass 2	Class	3	Class 4				
980	99.2%	O	5%		0.3%					
(b) Samples taken from Service Reservoirs and Consumers' Premises (excluding samples taken by Public Health Dept.)										
No. of Sampl	es Satisfa	ctory	Susp	icious	Unsatisf	actory				
188	98.	7%	0.3	%	1.0%					

During the year 181 samples of town's water from the public supply were subject to chemical analysis and the table which follows summarises the results of these analyses.

Summary of Chemical Analyses of the Public Water Supply for the Year ended December 31st, 1962. Summary Based on 181 Analyses of Samples of Water from the Public Supply.

	Parts per million exce where otherwise state						
	Average	Maximum	Minimum				
*Turbidity (Silica scale)	Less than	8	Less than				
*Colour (Hazen Units)	18 7·45 1·6	48 8·6 2·4	5 6·9 1·2				
ness) (in terms of CaCo <sub>3</sub> )	20.5	27 56	15 46				
(in terms of CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) Oxygen absorbed from Permanganate		38	22				
in 4 hours at 27°C Ammoniacal Nitrogen (in terms of N)	0.004	0.010 3.1	0.7				
Albuminoid Nitrogen (,, ,, ,, ,,) Nitrite Nitrogen (,, ,, ,, ,,)	0·045 Nil	0·0 <b>9</b> 7 Nil	0·015 Nil				
Nitrite Nitrogen (,, ,, ,, ,,) Nitrate Nitrogen (,, ,, ,, ,,) Chlorine present as Chloride	0.20	0.65	0.10				
(in terms of Cl)	16.5	20	14				
Silica (in terms of $SiO_2$ ) Iron compounds (in terms of Fe)	0.05	0.4	Nil				
Lead ,, (,, ,, ,, Pb)	Less than	0.1	Nil				
Total solids dried at 180°C *Electrical Conductivity—	100	116	91				
Micro-ohms/CM <sub>3</sub> at 20°C Residual Chlorine (on reaching consumer)	Nil/Trace	155	125				

<sup>\*</sup> Summary based on daily determinations on samples taken from Distribution Mains supplying all parts of the City and weekly determinations on samples from Service Reservoirs.

Plumbo-Solvency.—Water leaving the storage reservoir at Eccup is treated with lime, at the rate of approximately 5 p.p.m. with the object of producing a water which, after filtration and chlorination, is not plumbo-solvent.

Regular determinations of pH and alkalinity are made on samples of water taken from various points in the distribution system and the determination of lead is included in the chemical analysis of samples which have been drawn through lead pipe. The maximum amount of lead found during 1962 was 0·1 p.p.m.

Action in respect of any form of contamination.—There were no instances of serious pollution during the year. On two occasions unsatisfactory samples were obtained from areas where alterations to the mains had been made. On both occasions, satisfactory samples were obtained after thorough flushing of the affected mains had been carried out.

Particulars of the number of dwelling-houses and the number of the population supplied from the public water mains as at 31st March, 1963.—(a) (i) Number of dwelling-houses and dwelling-houses attached to shops within the City of Leeds Boundary—183,370 (estimated); (b) Population supplied from the public water mains: (i) direct to houses within the City of Leeds Boundary—514,640, (ii) by means of stand-pipes—none.

**Keeping of Animals.**—The number of pig-keepers in the city increased to 137 and the number of pigs kept was of the order of 3,000.

Closet Accommodation.—A total of 154 statutory notices was served under the provisions of Section 45, Public Health Act, 1936, in connection with closet accommodation. In the owners' default, the water-closets of two houses were repaired at a cost of £3 14s.

Offensive Trades.—The number of premises in the city where offensive trades is carried on is 107. 48 visits of inspection were made.

**Common Lodging Houses.**—168 visits of inspection were made to the six common lodging houses in the city.

**Houses-let-in-Lodgings.**—The total number of visits paid to houses of this type was 242.

Caravan Sites.—Wentworth Farm, New Farnley.—The only licence under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, continued in force, subject to conditions given in detail in last year's report.

Sites used by Showmen.—Sites in various parts of the city have been used for many years by bona fide showmen, mainly as winter quarters, and give rise to few complaints because of the reasonable conduct of the occupiers. Amenities are not as good as could be desired but in response to an approach by the Showmen's Guild, consideration has been given to setting apart a unified, more well-ordered site for this purpose. This would be a welcome development but, as yet, no suitable site has been found.

Unauthorised Camping by Vagrants.—This has always been a problem and has generally been met by vigilant inspection, speedy discovery and pressure to quit which has usually been effective and such people have been on their way again at least in a few days. Police, together with public and private owners of land, have acted in co-operation with public health inspectors and the problem has, in the past, been under reasonable control.

This year the problem grew to much larger proportions. In a large city there are always areas of derelict land resulting from slum clearance, and also other tracts of undeveloped land. Such open spaces may be in local authority ownership but some are privately owned.

Unauthorised campers include "tinker" types and alleged "scrap dealers" and this year there was a large influx of "Irish gypsies" of these types. The accommodation of these folk varied from modern trailer caravans to the old bow type horse-drawn caravan and even tents. Groups squatted on any available waste land, even near the busy City Centre. Verbal remonstrances were ineffective. Movement, if it did result, was often movement from one unauthorised site to another which was no remedy and made tracing more difficult. Scrap dealing by such persons resulted in discarded waste being strewn about the sites. Sanitary accommodation was non-existent, nor were there any bins for waste, so that conduct offensive to public decency and hygiene resulted. The man in the family might be temporarily missing, or even in prison, leaving a family ostensibly living on public allowances. Theft or metal pilfering in houses nearby, whether occupied or unoccupied, was alleged and fear of violence worried local residents so that they provided necessities such as water even though they had no desire to facilitate the stay of these new neighbours.



# UNAUTHORISED CAMPING BY VAGRANTS

Three caravans which appeared on the Albert Grove (Camp Road) Clearance Area in September, 1962, and removed after legal proceedings. This area is awaiting residential redevelopment by the Corporation.



It was decided that Court proceedings should be taken in all possible cases under the Leeds Corporation Act, 1956, which prohibits casual stationing of movable dwellings on unauthorised sites for any period longer than 14 consecutive days, or longer than 28 days in any consecutive period of 12 months. The penalty for offences is a £10 maximum fine plus a daily penalty of £5.

Time until the squatting is discovered, plus at least 14 days, must elapse before an offence can be reported for legal proceedings. Unavoidable delays before a Court hearing amounted to one, two or three months. The offenders were thus at liberty to remain for a month or two and to disappear either before or after receiving the summons. In some cases they attended Court. Their appearance there was abject; ignorance and apparent poverty alone were powerful influences against any severe penalty. A little native wit and an apparent willingness to go, albeit belatedly, because the Court required it, appeared to mitigate their offences. Penalties were imposed, often amounting to the equivalent of a modest ground rent for the stay. Prosecution had one salutary effect—a second appearance at Court would obviously be inadvisable and so the offence ceased.

The time involved on such cases was very heavy. Regular observation of all offenders had to be kept, if effective evidence was to be given in Court. Legal action had useful results where semi-permanent squatters had intended to remain for long periods and whose identity was known. With more mobile "invaders" about whom little was known, legal proceedings were less effective.

The first hearings were in July with others in October and November. The maximum fine of  $\mathfrak{f}$  to was imposed in two cases,  $\mathfrak{f}$  in one case,  $\mathfrak{f}$  in two cases and  $\mathfrak{f}$  in one case. No daily penalties were imposed. Several cases were still pending at the year's end.

**Canal Boats.**—During the year the registrations of two canal boats no longer based on Leeds were cancelled. The number of canal boats on the register at the end of the year was II8. Periodical visits of inspection were made to wharves and locks and 239 boats inspected.

**Public Sewers.**—1,113 public sewers affecting 3,432 houses or other premises were cleansed at a cost to the Department of £2,393 4s. 6d. Works of repair or maintenance were carried out to 87 defective public sewers and the cost, amounting to £820 13s. 8d., was recovered from the owners of the premises served by the sewers.

**Drains.**—It was necessary to carry out 3,490 drain tests, 84 on new drains relaid in place of those found defective. A large number of informal notices for drainage repairs was served on owners of property and in 330 cases it was necessary to serve statutory notices under Section 39 of the Public Health Act, 1936. The drains of 7 houses were repaired or renewed by the Department in default as a matter of urgency at a cost of £19 178. 11d. which was recovered from the owners of the premises concerned.

220 statutory notices were served under Section 17, Public Health Act, 1961, requiring the removal of stoppages from drains within 48 hours. 93 such drains were cleansed by the Department in default at a cost of £80 2s. 5d. which was recovered from the owners concerned. The drains of 1,026 houses or other premises belonging to Corporation Departments were cleansed, repaired or renewed at a cost of £2,091 7s. 1od. to the Departments concerned.

The cleansing and repair of drains serving 548 houses was undertaken by the Department under Section 22, Public Health Act, 1961, at the owners' request and the cost of this work, amounting to £946 14s. 5d., was charged to the owners.

Removal of Persons in need of Care and Attention (Section 47, National Assistance Act, 1948).—6 certificates were issued by the Medical Officer of Health under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act, 1948. The persons concerned, who were living in insanitary surroundings and unable to devote to themselves proper care and attention, were admitted to hospital.

**Examination of Plans.**—The arrangement whereby certain plans of new work submitted to the Building Surveyor's Office are forwarded to this Department for comment has continued during the year. 1,593 such plans were examined and comments made regarding necessary amendments.

District Inspection and Investigation of Complaints.—The total number of houses surveyed and examined was 19,695. 12,660 complaints were investigated and 9,392 nuisances and housing defects remedied. The tables on pages 193 to 196 give details of the work done by public health inspectors.

**Notices.**—The number of informal notices served in relation to Public Health Act matters was 3,145 and 1,504 statutory notices were served.

**Hairdressers and Barbers.**—Under Section 244 of the Leeds Corporation Act, 1956, 5 persons carrying on the trade of hairdresser or barber and their premises were registered. The total number on the register at 31st December, 1962, was 479.

Sampling of Swimming Bath Waters.—50 samples of public or school swimming bath water were taken by the public health inspectors and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service for bacteriological examination. In addition, 25 samples were submitted to the City Analyst for chemical analysis. Copies of the reports on the samples were forwarded either to the Director of Baths and Wash-houses or the Director of Education for information and action.

**Pet Animals Act, 1951.**—Under the provisions of Section 1 of the Pet Animals Act, 1951, 5 licences were granted during the year to persons keeping pet shops, and 28 licences were renewed. Visits of inspection were made to all licensed pet shops to ensure that the conditions of the licence were complied with.

Rodent Control.—(Report of Mr. W. Pickles, Public Health Inspector in charge of Rodent Control).—Complaints.—During the year 2,766 complaints were received by the Rodent Control Section. Of these, 1,523 referred to rats, 1,134 to mice, 65 to pigeons, 19 to damage by rabbits and 25 miscellaneous which included 9 of nuisance from magpies, rooks, jackdaws and starlings, 5 of sparrows, 4 of squirrels, 4 of cats, 2 of moles and one of bats.

The following table shows the number of complaints of rats and mice analysed according to months and types of premises affected.

1962	Rats						Mice					
1902	В	D	LA	A	Total	В	D	LA	A	Total		
January February March April May June July August Sept. October Nov Dec.	19 21 29 30 41 31 36 34 35 38 22	73 68 103 95 133 89 104 89 81 109 96	46 2 5 7 8 8 2 9 8 5 3	2	98 95 134 131 181 128 142 127 124 152 139	26 29 25 28 41 29 29 22 37 38 52	54 46 51 38 52 44 39 44 70 66 77 53	9 13 6 4 13 6 9 6 11 16 8 6		89 88 82 70 106 79 77 72 118 120 137		
Total	<u> </u>	-		3	1,523			107		1,134		

B—Business Premises
D— Dwellings

LA—Local Authority's premises
A—Agricultural or Horticultural Premises

The totals for business premises and dwellings include the following in Corporation ownership:—complaints of rats—22 business premises and 245 houses; complaints of mice—19 business premises and 207 houses.

Inspections—13,481 inspections and visits were made in connection with complaints received and for the servicing of infested premises. 9,709 Corporation sewer manholes were inspected, giving a total of 23,190 inspections.

Sewer Baiting.—The normal procedure for sewer baiting continued until November when, owing to further information from the Ministry regarding tests of fluoracetamide it was agreed that this poison be tried. Accordingly, several areas were selected for treatment where properties had been demolished under slum clearance programmes and where surface and sewer infestation was fairly high. The baiting will be repeated with a 3-month interval, after which test baits will be laid to ascertain the extent of clearance. If this poison proves successful it will be adopted in other areas of the city.

Treatments.—During the year 1,826 premises were serviced for rat or mouse infestation (450 business premises, 1,244 private dwellings, 131 Corporation premises and one agricultural property). 1,415 new infestations were recorded. 751 were mouse infestations and 644 rat infestations. Of the new infestations, 1,397 were treated by the Rodent Control Section. Some very small infestations of mice were treated by the occupier after advice from the Section and in some cases where, owing to young children, poison bait was not suitable, traps were loaned. Semi-permanent baits at business premises, laid after the initial treatment, were inspected monthly, principally as an insurance against re-infestation.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.—69 informal notices were served for structural proofing. Other Corporation Departments co-operated in controlling rodents and their help is much appreciated. Owners and occupiers of premises readily accepted the Section's advice on proofing and treatment.

Warfarin.—At certain premises, immunity of mice to anticoagulants causes trouble and at one restaurant where treatment was not proving effective the Ministry, after trapping live mice, confirmed that the mice were highly resistant. As it was not practicable in some cases to switch to a direct poison, the Section experimented with a mixture of poison bait and, although at two premises this appeared to be effective, it is too early to be sure that this was a successful alternative to Warfarin.

No estimated kill by poison bait has been made but during the year 2,934 dead rodents (including 12 rabbits) were collected.

Pigeons.—72 complaints were received from occupiers of dwellings and business premises of nuisance from feral pigeons. 1,027 inspections and visits were made and 1,271 birds destroyed by shooting or trapping.

General.—Complaints were received from two hospitals of rooks and magpies being a danger to young babies. As the air rifle used for shooting pigeons was not effective against these birds, the Health Committee purchased a 12-bore shot gun which gave satisfactory results.

One cannot stress too often the importance in rodent control of the proper disposal of waste food and methods of stacking food-stuffs so that the danger of infestation is reduced to a minimum. Furniture, stoves, refrigerators, etc. used in cafes and restaurants should have rollers or castors so that periodically they may be moved away from walls to facilitate proper cleaning; this would be a big step towards the elimination of rodents. Architects and contractors could help in rodent control if they would bear in mind the prevention of infestation when designing new, or altering old, buildings. It is much better to "start right" than to expend money on carrying out proofing works afterwards.

# WORK DONE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS, 1962.

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ANALYSIS OF INSPECTIONS	North Div.	South Div.	East Div.	West Div.	Fact- ories Div.	Hous- ing Div.	(a) Canal Boats & Common Lodging Houses (b) Rodent	Food and Dairies	Total
DWELLINGS.  Houses unfit and capable of repair .  Houses unfit and incapable of repair  Houses inspected for Demolition Orders  Houses inspected for Closing Orders  Houses inspected in Clearance Areas  Houses-let-in-lodgings	199	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	5	··· ··· ··· 22	::	52 131 277 294 16		::	52 131 277 294 242
Separate dwellings within houses-let-in- iodgings  Houses surveyed for C.P.O. Houses for overcrowding Houses for preferential rehousing Houses for Certificates of Disrepair Houses for complaints and defects.	756 98 14 52 10 4.295	16 21 6 1,854	8  6 24 12 1,786	54 7 5 29 11 2,352		1 327  45		  	819 432 41 171 39 10,287
Houses for drainage	2,537 93 402 110 49 4,502	2,061 5 374 21 5,390	3,289 36 116 4 78 2,605	3,725 74 211 4 39 3,451	16   2	342 24	(a) 144 (a) 239	: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	11,628 208 1,103 118 187 16,292 168 239
Housing re-inspections Common lodging houses Canal boats Caravan sites Caravan sites Other visits not included above  DISCRETIONARY/STANDARD GRANTS. Visits to determine "life"	4 5 149	2 1 646	17 254	269	::	153 28 5,728 1,037	(a) 233 (a) 655 (a) 668	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	392 706 7,714
Initial survey for Discretionary Grant Initial survey for Standard Grant Inspection of work in progress Visits for enquiry FOOD AND DRUGS PREMISES. Dairies	90 31 157 150	197 91 1,460 445	103 15 99 202	225 46 537 616	::	1 4	::	:: :: } <sub>649</sub>	615 183 2,254 1,417
Pasteurising and sterilising plants Bottled Milk Shops Ice-cream Fried Fish Pickles and sauces Sausages and meat products Other registered premises	19 123 21 11	101 112 60	45 16 1 29	82 48 2 22 10	··· ··· ··· 3			} 649	247 247 299 3 135 24
Bakehouses Private slaughterhouses Butchers Provision merchants Restaurants, cafes, canteens, kitchens Markets	128 83 53 215	54 85 13 40	43 46 60 834	81 105 64	15   7 20	::	::	10 1,227 45 309 34 154	296 1,227 340 547 1,207 154
Other food premises Food manufacturing premises Visits for enquiry No access visits Attendance at Court Visits re unsatisfactory samples Notices served under Reg. 20 M. &. D Regs,	i7	23  	90	127 3 	3			48 39 465 4 12 82	$\begin{array}{c} 403 \\ 39 \\ 601 \\ 4 \\ 12 \\ 82 \\ \end{array}$
PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT. Visits paid to premises:— New applicants for listing Routine inspection Unlisted premises	::	::		 		::		:::	
No access visits  ERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT. Visits paid to premises:— Enquiries	::		::	::	::	::	::	9	
Other visits		••				••			••

# WORK DONE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS, 1962.—contd.

ANALYSIS OF INSPECTIONS  North Div.   South Div.   East Div.   Di								:/:0::		
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60. Routine inspection of Licensed premises	Do. Licensing									
61. Enquiries  C. No access visits  DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.  Visits paid to pigeries	59. Routine inspection of Registered premises									
DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.   Visits paid to piggeries	61. Enquiries									
Visits paid to piggeries:—  43. General inspection of Boiling Plants  55. Enquiers  66. Enquiers  67. T.B. Order—Disinfection  68. Foot and mouth disease  69. Anthrax  70. Sheep Dipping Regulations  71. Whitlirk Auction Mart  72. Poultry Dealers  73. Poultry Dealers  74. Factories with mechanical power  75. Factories with mechanical power  76. Other premises, constructional works, etc.  77. Offices  78. Workplaces  79. Workplaces  79. Businesses  79. Hardensesses  79. Businesses  70. Sheep Dipping Regulations  71. Workplaces  72. Foultr's Workplaces  73. Poultry Market and Shows  74. Factories with mechanical power  75. Factories with mechanical power  76. Other premises, constructional works, etc.  78. Workplaces  79. Businesses  70. Sheep Dipping Regulations  71. Offices  72. Foultr's Workplaces  73. Poultry Market and Shows  74. Factories with mechanical power  75. Factories with mechanical power  76. Other premises, constructional works, etc.  77. Offices  78. Workplaces  79. Justine Regulations  70. Sheep Dipping Regulations  71. Offices  72. Factories without mechanical power  73. Workplaces  74. Factories without mechanical power  75. Factories without mechanical power  76. Other premises, constructional works, etc.  77. Offices  78. Workplaces  79. Justine Regulations  70. Sheep Dipping Regulations  70. Justine Regulations  71. Justine Regulations  72. Justine Regulations  73. Justine Regulations  74. Justine Regulations  75. Factories without mechanical power  76. Other premises, constructional works, etc.  78. Workplaces  79. Justine Regulations  70. Justine R	62. No access visits									
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100   100	61 Inspection of Boiling Plants					• • •				
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1.	Visits paid to farms:—									
One	67 TB Order—Disinfection						1			
One	68. Foot and mouth disease									1
Visits paid to:	1 09. Antmax	• •								1
TRADES AND BUSINESSES.	70. Sheep Dipping Regulations	•••	•••				•••	•••	1	
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TRADES AND BUSINESSES.	72. Poultry Dealers	5								
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77. Offices	76. Other premises, constructional works, etc	i								
SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL   Smoke observations	77. Offices					7				
SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL   Smoke observations	78. Workplaces		2	7	1	247				- 3
SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL   Smoke observations	80. Shops					45				- 4
SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL   Smoke observations	81. Outworkers	64	102	66	35					3).
SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL   Smoke observations	82. Offensive trades									
SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL   Smoke observations	84 Visits for enquiry					633		_		:
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88. Visits for prior approval of furnaces 89. Visits for height of chimneys 90. Atmospheric pollution records 91. Visits for enquiry  82. Preliminary enquiries 93. Inspection of approved appliances installed 94. Smoke observations 95. Visits for enquiry 148 5 25 1,171 1,171 1,1,1 1,1 1	SMOKE CONTROL—GENERAL.	95	в	94	97	210				e
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SMOKE CONTROL AREAS	88 Visits for prior approval of furnaces									
SMOKE CONTROL AREAS	90 Atmospheric pollution records			• • •						2.5
SMOKE CONTROL AREAS	91. Visits for enquiry	2		13	4					
94. Smoke observations	SMOKE CONTROL AREAS					421				1
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98. Farms and agricultural units	GENERAL.							*/6\23 100		23.1
98. Farms and agricultural units	97. Visits re Pigeons				7		::	(b) 1,027	.:	
101. Politry and other animals   5   4	08 Farms and agricultural units		3							5
101. Politry and other animals   5   4	99. Stables		31	97						18
102. Shelfish										1
108. Culverts   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	102. Shellfish			• •						2
108. Culverts   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	103. Infestations of food	• • •	• • •							· ·
108. Culverts   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	105. Water supply	222	122	136	181	2				-
108. Culverts   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	106. Infirm and sick persons	3								
110. Other nuisances						· ;				1
$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	109. Noise nuisances		i			27				
$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	110. Other nuisances	1	3	18						1
113. No access visits	111. Public conveniences	29			183	10				24
114. Other visits (not included in above) 35 37 156 19 37 2 2	113. No access visits									
	114. Other visits (not included in above)	35	37		19					2
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<sup>•</sup> Includes 9,709 for sewer baiting.

# WORK DONE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS, 1962.—contd.

							(a) Canal		
							Boats &		
							Common		
ANALYSIS OF WORK DONE	Month	C42	T74	West	Fact-	Hous-	Lodging	Food	Total
	North Div.	South Div.	East Div.	Div.	ories Div.	ing Div.	Houses (b) Rodent	and Dairies	Total
	DIV.	DIV.	Div.	DIV.	Div.	Div.	(b) Rodelit	Danies	
REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.									
Roofs, valley gutters, flashings, etc	880	930	242	703					2,755
Chimney stacks, flues, pots, etc	194	256	68	155			••		673
Eaves spouts	91	134	52	150	1	• • •	• • •	• •	428
ralipipes	47 26	54 58	18 21	53 83	3	• • •	• • •	• • •	175 188
	20	2	1	1					100
Damp-proof courses provided	6	16	8	19				::	49
Wallplaster	42	39	14	42					137
Ceilings	25	56	6	35					122
Floors	7	9	11	8				• •	35
Windows, frames, cords, etc.	33 10	72 18	53 5	62 13	• •	• • •	• • •		$\frac{220}{46}$
Doors, door-frames	9	18	9	9	• • •	::		::	45
Washing boilers, setpots, etc	2	10			• • •		::		2
Sinks layatory basins etc	12	10	9	15					46
Waste pipes	29	26	11	13					79
Water supply	42	27	23	19					111
Food stores	1	iż	3	2		•••			6
Pavings, yards and passages	10	17 150	$\frac{1}{38}$	17 104	• •	••	•••	• •	45 386
Repairs to water closets	94	150	38	6	• • •	• • •			18
New pail closets provided	1					::		::	10
Trough closets abolished					::				
Privy closets abolished Pail closets abolished Pail closets abolished									
Pail closets abolished									
Dustbins provided	5	1		1					7
Ashpits repaired		• •		1			• •	• • •	1
Other ashpits abolished		• • •	• • •	• •	• • •			• • •	
other ashpits abolished	iò	23	5	iż	• •	• • •	• • •		51
Verminous premises disinfested	2	1 1		1.0		::		::	3
. Dirty premises cleansed	21	9	4	i	::			- ::	35
Closers cleansed	10	2	1	1					14
. Underground dwellings made fit or closed	1						• •		1
Improvements to common lodging-houses	2		• •	• • •	• •	• • •	(a) 2	• • •	2 2
Improvements to houses let in lodgings Improvements to canal boats		• • •	• •	• •	• • •	• • •		• • •	
Improvements to canal boats Improvements to caravan sites		::				::	::	::	::
			• • •						
FOOD PREMISES.									
Walls, ceilings, floors, etc., improved	27	18	11	6	1				63
Walls, ceilings, floors, etc., cleansed	18	19	6	89	2	• • •		• • •	134
Ventilation provided or improved	1 9	14	4	3 87	i	• • •	• •	• •	22 97
Articles, apparatus, clothing cleansed Personal washing facilities provided	5	5	2	10				• •	22
Uther washing facilities provided	4	4	ī	5	i i	::	::		15
Hot water supply provided	6	3		10	î			- ::	20
Accommodation for clothing provided	2	1	1	2					6
Pirst-Aid equipment provided	4	2	4:	2 6		• •			8
Other improvements	10	13	14	ti li	2	••			45
TRADES AND BUSINESSES.									
FACTORIES.									
Rooms cleansed					3				3
Rooms ventilated			•••		• •	• •		[	
Organization of the secured				• • •		• •	• • •	• • •	
Floors drained	•••	• • •	• • •	••	• • •	• • •	••	•••	
Insufficient conveniences remedied					3	::			
<ul> <li>Unsuitable/defective conveniences remedied</li> </ul>			::	::	111				111
. Conveniences made separate for sexes					3				3
Other offences remedied					3				3
Absence of abstract noted WORKPLACES.					1				1
Rooms ventilated				1					
. Overcrowding abated		1 ::	::	::)	111		::	::	
	::	::		::					:: 1
<ul> <li>Sufficient conveniences provided</li></ul>		;;							
. Other defects remedied		١	l	l	4				· i
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# WORK DONE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS, 1962.—contd.

	1				1		1	(a) Canal		
								Boats &		
ANALYSIS OF WORK DONE						Fact-	Hous-	Common	Person	
ANALISIS OF WORK DONE		North	South	East	West	ories	ing	Lodging Houses	Food and	Total
		Div.	Div.	Div.	Div.	Div.	Div.	(b) Rodent		Lotai
TRADES AND BUSINESSES (Continued).	-									
Shops	.		/							
178. Ventilated										
179. Reasonable temperature secured 180. Sufficient conveniences provided		• •	••	• • •		i		••		i
180. Sufficient conveniences provided			:: 8				::	::	::	1
182. Washing facilities provided										
183. Meals facilities provided	•••	• •								
HAIRDRESSERS.		••					•••			••
195 Buolow offences remedied		1								1
OFFENSIVE TRADES.  186. Nuisances abated	ł									,
186. Nuisances abated			:: \	::	1			.:		1
Pet Shops.	- 1	••								• • •
188. Improvements secured		• •								
SMOKE CONTROL.						1				
189. Furnaces newly provided									!	
190. Furnaces altered, repaired or renewed				i		2				3
191. Chimneys newly crected						2		::	::	2
193. Furnaces provided with mechanical stoki	ing		::	i						ī
						1				
GENERAL. 194. Rodents caught, killed or poisoned	1							*(b) 2,934		2,934
195. Premises cleared of rodents	::		::					(b) 542		542
196. Premises rendered rodent-proof								(b) 53		53
197. Pigeons killed		• •	• • •					(b) 1,271		1,271
198. Watercourses cleansed	::1		::		::	i		::		i
200. Poultry-house improvements		1								1
201. Pig-stye improvements		1	1	'i		3		• • •	•••	$\frac{2}{21}$
202. Offensive matter removed		$\frac{6}{1}$	9			3			::	1
204. Manure-steads built or repaired										i7
205. Noise nuisance abated		2	i			14			• • •	17 49
206. Other nuisances abated		18	7	8		16		••	••	40
DRAINAGE.			li.							
207. Drains repaired or relaid		79	36	48	56	14				233 2,068
208. Drains cleansed 209. Private sewers repaired or relaid	• •	621	247	831	294	75		::		2,008
209. Private sewers repaired or relaid 210. Private sewers cleansed		27	62	74	64	ľ	::			228
211. Public sewers maintained		41	29	19	42	7			• •	131 940
212. Public sewers cleansed 213. Ball and water tests		223 17	229 9	291 19	190 34	7 5	•••			84
213. Ball and water tests	::	685	220	2,201	260	40	:: }			3,406
215. Gullies renewed or provided		2	4	6	2	'n				14
216. Soilpipes and ventilating pipes 217. Inspection Chambers provided or maintain		4	19	3 8	12 17	1 5			::	39 38
217. Inspection Chambers provided or maintain 218. Cesspools repaired or provided	nea				5	3	.:			5
219. Cesspools emptied					1					1 5
220. Cesspools abolished		• • •		• •	5		••			9
SAMPLES TAKEN.				1						
By Food and Drugs Inspectors:—									0.454	9.174
221. Milk—Chemical analysis								••	2,474	2,474 608
222. Milk—Bacteriological examination	::	::		::	::				175	175
224. Milk—Radio-activity examination	::	- ::		- ::					16	16
225. Food and Drugs—Chemical Analysis		• • •					• •		829	829
Food and Drugs— 226. Bacteriological examination									36	36
227. Ice-Cream—Chemical analysis		- ::							16	16 94
228. Ice-Cream—Bacteriological examination									94	94
Fertilisers and Feeding stuffs— 229. Chemical analysis									25	25
230. Rag Flock, etc.—Chemical analysis	::								3	3
By mont and other roods inspectors.									1	1
231. Food—Chemical analysis	::	::	1			.:		::1	25	25
233. Shellfish—Bacteriological examination			::	::	::				15	15
234. Merchandise Marks Act				111					1	1

## PREVENTION OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

BY

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Investigation of atmospheric pollution continued in 1962 with the aid of instruments situated at stations in various parts of the city. The sites of these stations were indicated approximately on the map between pages 226 and 227 of last year's Annual Report. The eight standard deposit gauges at Hunslet, Headingley, Temple Newsam, Market Buildings, Armley Park, St. James's Hospital, Burley Park and Roundhay Hall remained in use for the measurement of solid deposits.

In addition to the eight standard deposit gauges, we now have smoke filter and volumetric sulphur dioxide measuring instruments at nine sites in the city. These are at (i) the Public Health Department Annexe, 12 Market Buildings, Leeds, 1, (ii) the Department of Preventive Medicine and Public Health, 32 Hyde Terrace, Leeds, 2, (iii) the Day Nursery, Blackman Lane, Leeds, 2, (iv) the Y.W.C.A. Hostel, Lovell Street, Leeds, 7, (v) the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, Park Square, Leeds, I, (vi) the Meanwood Housing Estate Manager's Office, 207 Potternewton Lane, Leeds, 7, (vii) the Disinfestation Centre, Stanley Road, Leeds, 9, (viii) the Clock Tower in the outbuildings at Temple Newsam Mansion, Leeds, 15, and (ix) the Highways Department Offices, 155 Kirkstall Road, Leeds, 3. The apparatus at Market Buildings has been in operation since October, 1950. The next four, i.e. Nos. (ii) to (v) were installed in August, 1957, at the request of the Fuel Research Station of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research to record the effect of the City of Leeds No. 2 (Central Area) Smoke Control Order, 1959, which became operative on 1st July, 1962. The remaining four, i.e. Nos. (vi) to (ix) were installed on 1st January, 1962, in connection with the National Survey of Air Pollution instituted by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and the Fuel Research Station of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. They have been specially sited to monitor areas with different characteristics. One is sited in a modern municipal housing estate, one in a mixed development of older houses and industry, one in a semi-rural area attached to the city and one in Kirkstall Road in the centre of a heavily industrialised area.

The Department also has a spare deposit gauge which is used for experimental purposes only. This has been installed for some years on the roof of a large foundry in the city to assess the local deposits emitted from the foundry.

The stations and equipment above-mentioned are provided and operated by the Health Committee, but in addition the Central Electricity Generating Board has eight stations sited to monitor emissions from the Skelton Grange "A" and "B" Power Stations. Four of these stations have deposit gauges and lead dioxide instruments, the other four lead dioxide instruments only. These instruments have been kept operating so as to provide continuity of records in connection with the Power Station. Four of the stations are outside the Leeds boundary but the results are useful in assessing pollution in the area of the city which adjoins the Power Station.

The examination of material collected by deposit gauges is carried out monthly, and the tests of the smoke filter and volumetric sulphur dioxide instruments daily. The various gauges are attended and the filters for smoke and the absorbent fluids for sulphur emissions are changed by inspectors and pupils in the Factories and Smoke Section of the Department. The testing is done by Mr. R. A. Dalley, the City Analyst, and we again express appreciation of the co-operation and help afforded to us by Mr. Dalley.

Standard Deposit Gauges.—The table on page 206 sets out the monthly deposits in English tons per square mile for 1961 and 1962 at the eight gauges operated by the Council. The records for February are incomplete because the heavy gale in that month damaged five gauges. The Department of Scientific and Industrial Research has indicated that the detailed results from these gauges are not essential and the analysis is now limited to calculation of the total solids deposited both as dissolved and undissolved matter. The highest monthly average deposit this year was 24·10 tons per square mile at Market Buildings. The Station with the lowest monthly average was Roundhay (11·54 tons to the square mile).

The experimental standard deposit gauge on the roof of a foundry continued to record very high deposits; the average for the year was 86.95 tons per square mile, as compared with 61.38 tons per square mile in 1961. The increase may well be due to "teething" troubles in a revised scheme of dust arresting which may take some time to resolve.

The table on page 207 sets out the solid deposits recorded by the standard deposit gauges in the city for the years 1932 to 1962 inclusive.

**Estimation of Atmospheric Pollution by the Lead Dioxide Method.**—This method has been replaced by the more accurate volumetric method.

Concentration of Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide by the Smoke Filter and Volumetric Method.—Records from our nine instruments are set out in the tables on pages 208 and 209.

Clean Air Act, 1956.—Dark Smoke Emissions from Chimneys.—During 1962, 301 smoke observations were taken and 53 Notices were served for contraventions of the Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) Regulations. In addition, 170 visits were paid to boiler plant and to other fuel burning installations in order to advise on methods to be adopted to comply with the Regulations.

Two prosecutions were taken for contraventions of Section 1 of the Clean Air Act. In one case the firm pleaded "Not Guilty" but changed their plea to "Guilty" during the hearing and were fined £25. During the hearing the firm said that they intended to install new boiler plant before the end of the year. The other prosecution was for contravention of the Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) Regulations in the Central Smoke Control Area. The firm admitted the offence but pleaded that it was due to the unauthorised action of an employee in that he hand-fired a mechanically-fired boiler plant. The Stipendiary Magistrate considered that in view of the facts an absolute discharge was justified but warned the firm that they must exercise better supervision over their employees at all times.

Section 2 of the Clean Air Act, 1956, provides for exemption from Section I of the Act of buildings which it has been found impracticable to alter or equip so as to conform with the Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) Regulations. Power to give this exemption will lapse on 5th July, 1963, and pressure has been brought to bear the in year by public health inspectors upon the occupiers of premises in which hand-fired coal burning appliances were still being used, to equip furnaces with mechanical stoking equipment.

Three applications were received for exemption under this Section. One hand-fired Lancashire boiler was exempted for six months. The firm has now vacated the premises and the exemption has lapsed. The second exemption was requested for a chimney serving two reheating and annealing furnaces until alternative equipment could be installed and made operative, and again exemption was given for six months. The new equipment is now operating and the exemption has lapsed. The third application came from a firm against whom a prosecution was awaiting hearing and under the circumstances the Health Committee deferred consideration of the application.

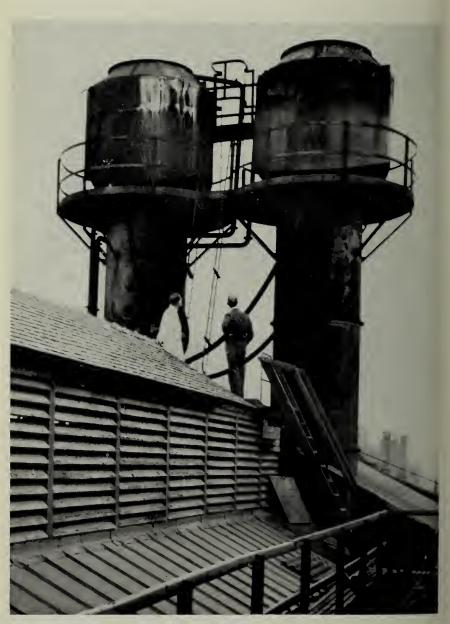
The Installation of New Furnaces and Prior Approval of Furnaces.—63 notifications of the installation of new furnaces were received. In addition, 3 applications for prior approval of industrial plant were approved subject to conditions.

Control of Grit and Dust from Furnaces.—No applications were received for approval of apparatus for arresting grit and dust.

Several complaints were received during the year about grit and dust emissions, usually from cupolas operated by iron founders, and 12 deposit records were taken. The experimental deposit gauge previously mentioned is used in connection with such complaints and in one instance is producing startling evidence of the very serious nuisance which can be caused by emissions from cupolas. The gauge brought to light a defect in a newly installed wet arrestor connected to a number of knock-outs for sand moulds in a foundry. Last year's report included a photograph of an experimental grit and spark arrestor fitted to two large cupolas. This arrestor has now been replaced by two new proprietary type wet arrestors with pH control for the washed liquor (see photograph opposite page 201).



Experimental grit and spark arrestors for two large cupolas fitted with water spray arrangements.



**GRIT NUISANCE FROM FOUNDRY** 

The same cupolas now fitted with new proprietary type wet arrestors with pH control for washing liquor as a result of advice by the Public Health Inspector.

Heights of Chimneys.—Section 10 of the Clean Air Act enables the Local Authority to control heights of chimneys from certain types of new buildings and Section 120 of the Leeds Corporation Act, 1956, extends this control to all types of new buildings. Plans of new buildings are submitted to the Town Planning and Improvements Committee, examined by the Health Department and rejected if below standard. Two weaknesses in the legislation are that it does not control the connection of new fuel burning plant to existing chimneys which are often too short, and cannot under certain circumstances deal with the erection of steel stacks which are integral with the boiler plant.

48 plans of new chimneys were examined and commented upon. In most cases, consultations between public health inspectors and the architects concerned ensure the submission of satisfactory plans, but in 8 instances no such consultations had taken place and extensions of the planned chimneys were required. No plans were rejected although several were deferred by the City Engineer until agreement had been reached between the architect and this Department. The question of chimney heights is extremely difficult and often produces prolonged discussion and it is, therefore, pleasant to report that all difficulties in this connection which arose during the year were satisfactorily resolved.

The relevant section of the Act sets out four points which must be considered when new chimneys are to be approved. They are:—

- (a) the purpose of the chimney,
- (b) the position and description of buildings nearby,
- (c) the levels of the neighbouring ground, and
- (d) any other matters requiring consideration in the circumstances.

Under item (d), Leeds pays particular attention to the probable emission of sulphur fumes from the plant in question. We take the view that a reasonable maximum limit of sulphur dioxide at ground level from any point source is 0·3 part per million in air, and require that the height of any new chimney is such that this concentration will not be exceeded.

Smoke Control Areas.—Section II of the Clean Air Act gives Local Authorities power to establish Smoke Control Areas. The process of making Orders is continuous and details of those made up to the end of 1962 are set out in the table on page 210.

In January, 1962, the Minister of Housing and Local Government issued Circular No. 4/62 about smoke control in the black areas. Leeds is in a black area. The Minister reviewed the progress of smoke control in these areas and asked Local Authorities to consider whether the dates originally set for completing their programmes could be brought forward. He also requested them to submit further programmes for establishing smoke control areas in the period 1962 to 1966. The Health Committee decided that the target year for completion of the smoke control programme for the whole city should be changed from 1980 to 1975. The Committee also included a further 39,000 dwellings in smoke control areas in the period 1962 to 1966. A copy of the return requested by the Minister is printed on page 211.

A further Circular simplifies the method of making Smoke Control Orders and of computing the estimated and final costs of adapting and replacing fireplaces in privately owned dwellings. The Circular makes little change in the procedure for dealing with municipally owned properties.

Nineteen Smoke Control Orders had been made by the end of 1961 and during 1962 a further four Orders were made. The table on page 210 sets out the position up to the end of 1962. As well as the four Orders made this year, five Amendment Orders were made to allow for the use of chips and paper for ignition purposes in buildings or parts of buildings separately occupied and which have no gas supply. The Amendment Order for the Central Smoke Control Order also contained a further list of premises exempted under conditions from the original Smoke Control Order. The table shows that fifteen Orders became operative on 1st July, 1962.

Observations taken by inspectors seem to show that in general the Orders are being respected but a number of warnings have been given to householders not burning authorised fuels. Difficulty has been encountered in a few instances where works of adaptation were not completed before the operative date of the Order. These cases are dealt with by the service of Notice, and if necessary by carrying out the works in default of the owner of the property.

Publicity.—The Health Committee collaborated with the Solid Smokeless Fuels Federation in a stand at the "Ideal Homes" Exhibition in the Queens Hall, Leeds, from 28th April to 12th May, 1962. The object of the Exhibition was to publicise the city's programme of Smoke Control Areas, to demonstrate the types of appliances which can be provided by means of grant aid, and also to demonstrate the efficiency of authorised fuels in open fires and closed stoves. The Exhibit proved extremely successful and nearly 7,000 direct enquiries were answered by the public health inspectors on duty on the stand during the Exhibition. In addition to the direct enquiries, a very large number of visitors to the Exhibition stopped to view the stand without making specific comment. One of the most graphic parts of the stand was a mural showing smoke emissions from a densely populated part of the city. This mural was produced from a photograph printed in last year's Annual Report.

The Solid Smokeless Fuels Federation also provided a Mobile Exhibition to demonstrate the burning of authorised fuels and, in particular, the type of coke which is available in the Leeds area. This exhibit came to the city on two occasions, first in the months of February and March when it was sited in eleven different positions in the Central Smoke Control Area, and second in November and December when it was used in the Cow Close, Armley Heights, Tong Road, Stonebridge Lane, Poplar and Silver Royd "A" and "B" Smoke Control Areas.

The Abatement of Smoke Nuisances.—Several complaints of burning of refuse on open land have been dealt with under Section 16 of the Clean Air Act, 1956. One complaint was of the burning of car bodies to recover scrap metal, one of smoke from the burning of insulated cable to recover scrap metal, three complaints of burning of wood waste (two of which were on open land, one in particular during the demolition of the Empire Theatre, Briggate). Formal notification of the contraventions was given within 48 hours. In general, however, these cases were dealt with by verbal representations.

Alkali, etc. Works.—H.M. Inspectors of Alkali, etc. Works are responsible for the control of emissions from chimneys used in connection with processes carried on at premises registrable under the Alkali, etc. Works Regulation Act, 1906. There are 23 such firms in Leeds.

We have close liaison with H.M. Inspectors and complaints from the public and reports from public health inspectors are forwarded to H.M. Inspectors for action. A persistent complaint refers to grit and smoke from two hot-blast cupolas at a foundry controlled by the Alkali Inspector. He has required these to be fitted with the best practicable means for preventing these emissions, which in his opinion consists of cyclone type arrestors and a tall stack some 120 ft. in height. This has not yet been provided.

During the year 3 complaints were referred to H.M. Inspector of Alkali, etc. Works for attention.

Colliery Spoilbanks.—A complaint was received about nuisance from a spoilbank which had been disused for a very long period. Efforts to control the fire by ploughing the surface and digging out burning material had partial success and the nuisance has now been abated by the burning out of all the combustible material on the site.

Control of Smoke from Railway Engines.—Coal-fired locomotives pulling long-distance trains out of Leeds still cause a great deal of atmospheric pollution but there were no complaints about smoke from railway engines during the year. The replacement of steam engines by diesel engines has reduced the amount of smoke from this cause.

Control of Smoke from Vessels.—No complaints were received about smoke from vessels on the river and canals.

Exemption for the purpose of Investigation and Research.—Section 21 of the Clean Air Act enables the Local Authority to give exemption from the Clean Air Act to chimneys and furnaces while they are being used for research into the problems of air pollution. Two applications for exemption were granted subject to conditions. The first was a renewal of an exemption previously granted to the University of Leeds in respect of a chimney connected to a large coal fired boiler which is used on occasion to experiment into problems of combustion. The second exemption was to a large foundry to carry out research into the melting of swarf and turnings in a mains frequency induction furnace. This exemption was mentioned in last year's report and was continued for a further six months as from 1st February, 1962.



HEALTH COMMITTEE STAND AT NORTHERN "IDEAL HOMES" EXHIBITION, QUEEN'S HALL, LEEDS 28th APRIL to 12th MAY, 1962

This stand was promoted to publicise the City's Programme of Smoke Control Areas.



Building Byelaws.—The Council's Building Byelaws now contain a provision that the arrangements for cooking and heating in new buildings should be such as to be capable of burning gas, electricity, coke or anthracite. The enforcement of this Byelaw is in the hands of the City Engineer.

**General.**—The work of the public health inspectors on smoke abatement in 1962 can be summarised as follows:—

### General:

Smoke observations	301
Visits for grit emissions	4
Inspection of boiler plant	170
Visits for prior approval of furnaces	I
Visits for height of chimneys	35
Atmospheric pollution records	2,527
Visits for enquiry	53

### Smoke Control Areas:

Preliminary enquirie	es			421
Inspection of approv	zed a	ppliance	es in-	
stalled				1,171
Smoke observations				2,866
Visits for enquiry				3,035

STANDARD DEPOSIT GAUGES
MONTHLY DEPOSITS IN ENGLISH TONS PER SQUARE MILE

YEARS 1961 AND 1962

	ry.	1962	95.61	**	12.89	01.01	11.12	13.61	8.38	8.72	9.53	7.40	11.12	14.53	.94	11.54	
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	Rou	1961	15.38	15.66	8.48	17.74	13.17	9.36	9.56	8.15	15.68	12.06	9.52	16.21	150-6	12.56	
	Park	1962	25.26	32.49	23.53	30.39	24.55	25.06	15.25	21.14	16.81	18.57	24.71	26.77	286.63	23.89	
	Burley Park	1961	49.70	48.42	13.45	38.86	15.44	15.02	32.22	15.87	38.67	33.34	19.20	31.08	351.27	29.27	ľ
	nes's ital	1962	29.60	++	++	24.50	80.61	16.51	22.35	16.39	20.63	16.94	19.12	21.75	206.27	20.63	ľ
	St. James' Hospital	1961	25.56	23.92	12.49	25.50	19.37	12.09	15.10	11.49	19.58	26.00	17.16	23.78	32.04	19.34	I
	Park	1962	33.60	++	35.10	17.72	20.10	14.36	16.59	14.13	16.21	14.26	14.29	21.55	16.713	18.61	ı
	Armley Park	1961	33.53	22.26	7.23	38.86	13.59	16.52	16.12	11.83	91.41	18.38	24.33	33.07	252.88	21.07	9
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ST	Temple Newsam	1961	18.43	17.51	12.65	18.77	17.74	62.01	13.72	14.62	15.12	14.99	15.06	22.76	91.261	10.91	2mnore
	let	1962	++	22.46	37.38	24.90	25.53	19.37	21.52	16.92	19.41	14.80	24.95	19.28	246.52	22.41	+ Gange tammered with
	Hunslet	1961	28.42	++	13.28	34.67	21.06	12.95	15.34	11.95	22.09	18.71	17.78	26.62	226.22	20.57	+
	ngs	1962	30.14	28.39	28.05	21.86	24.93	17.40	17.33	16.81	23.85	23.24	22.75	32.35	289.20	24.10	
	Market Buildings	1961	33.71	10.62	15.58	36.25	16.87	16.44	24.60	18.82	27.05	27.18	26.18	32.06	303.75	25.31	
	gley	1962	23.08	++	15.33	++	21.49	17.68	18.94	13.63	18.72	25.96	17.34	17.77	148.08 189.94 303.75 289.20 226.22 246.52 192.16 168.77 252.88 217.91 232.04 206.27 351.27 286.63 150.67 126.94	18.99	
	Headingley	1961	19.21	13.49	5.34	86.61	6.74	5.05	18.47	8.22	13.67	14.79	10.78	13.88	148.08	12.34	
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	щ		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total Deposit for Year	Monthly average	
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Deposit Gauges Records, 1932-1962. English Tons per Square Mile per Annum.

Year					STATIONS				
	Headingley	City Centre	York Road	Hunslet	Temple- newsam	Armley Park	St. James's Hospital	Burley Park	Roundhay
1932	105.8	320.7	264.7	255.6	87.5	:	:	:	:
1933	107.86	305.0	277.83	*276.32	* 81.59	:	:	:	:
1934	124.28	341.7	284.74	294.49	86.24	:	:	:	:
1935	*131.92	358.88	321.25	*317.55	\$108.67	:	:	:	:
1936	136.95	381.40	301.89	290.13	*118.20	:	:	:	:
1937	135.93	*331.53	325.35	301.71	*123.39	:	:	:	:
1938	*119.80	359.51	289.56	*231.39	133.37	:	:	:	:
1939	155.32	314.96	255.15	*234.74	122.67	:	:	:	:
1940	1180.30	t413·29	\$247.36	1279.58	1243.33	:	:	:	:
1941	1188.31	†285·51	\$129.75	*301.31	164.21	:	:	:	:
1942	1138.21	*371.14	:	*235.37	*159.03	:	:	:	:
1943	186.93	389.03	:	271.82	171.43	:	:	:	:
1944	175.37	374.50	:	277.14	1114.80	:	:	:	:
1945	*151.29	*288.44	:	*262.11	*139.27	:	:	:	:
1946	*146.50	326.26	:	*267.10	*166.64	\$176.12	\$87.27	:	:
1947	121.94	288.76	:	*209·66	149.12	*367.06	*183.13	:	:
1948	162.78	338.02	:	213.49	*134.68	327.56	211.20	:	:
1949	181.24	16.114	:	225.68	164.28	414.14	220.55	630.62	:
1950	195.36	378.57	:	206.31	147.62	16.464	205.88	664.56	:
1951	*228.04	403.97	:	529.66	162.32	532.86	00.661	714.33	:
1952	*135.00	356.58	:	199.43	126.34	370.85	*184.39	430.99	:
1953	159.28	348.84	:	183.17	117.59	400.56	182.72	516.50	:
1954	184.21	354.14	:	1245.99	1109.14	383.11	208.49	453.34	:
1955	*115.74	288.50	:	1316.83	*120.47	296.30	91.221	*272.78	:
1956	*129.81	287.22	:	1359.44	100.97	284.95	195.15	319.63	:
1957	125.46	264.27	:	385.63	*140.30	239.06	188.00	268.70	:
1958	*115.75	265.82	:	*440.80	198.64	249.66	212.94	*204.88	‡74·87
1959	134.67	243.59	:	1254.57	*131.86	236.84	*189.03	261.97	*111.93
10001	149.89	258.78	:	*260.89	145.18	*269.04	- 229.87	314.61	129.02
1961	148.08	303.75	:	*226.22	192.16	252.88	232.04	351.27	120.67
1962	1189.94	289.20	:	*246.52	*168.77	*217.91	1206.27	286.63	*126.94
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SULPHUR DIOXIDE VOLUMETRIC APPARATUS

Sulphur Dioxide in Microgrammes per cubic Metre of Air

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2061		-			SITE	NUMBER	BER							SITE	NUMBER	ER	-		
		3	4	18	61	20	21	24	25	26	3	4	18	61	20	21	24	25	26
January	:	243	589	579	572	590	583	566	377	419	1,012	1,252	1,512	1,580	1,277	1,471	1,584	1,213	1,310
February	:	130	353	162	262	348	316	334	191	250	405	707	428	569	695	640	575	413	564
March	:	621	450	446	408	463	408	471	253	361	493	1,176	1,161	910	864	904	951	566	812
April	, *Io6		*279	*248	*239	*265	*244	*261	*122	*211	299	532	479	423	495	401	467	283	351
May	:	103	192	206	229	220	177	242	141	681	353	447	513	643	588	456	527	476	499
June	:	III	156	143	195	164	145	210	100	125	414	252	272	365	288	290	383	207	243
July	:	71	140	105	148	121	115	162	82	107	276	208	167	224	641	210	359	991	181
August	:	801	173	138	184	129	147	181	107	154	247	340	210	306	239	233	425	190	221
September	:	139	259	206	230	231	253	273	173	232	276	419	385	520	373	598	533	435	438
October	:	182	396	302	363	351	341	373	227	319	485	644	564	665	657	751	816	532	703
November	:	229	525	450	509	471	489	480	298	459	977	1,284	949	1,377	1,156	1,271	1,349	885	1,543
December	:	440	857	887	970	806	898	889	579	754	1,972	3,970	3,971	4,698	4,022	4,039	5,196	3,731	3,727
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25=Potternewton Lane 26=Stanley Road

\* Stations closed five days-Easter.

20 = Park Square21 = Y.W.C.A.

4=Market Buildings 18=Blenheim

\* Stations closed five days—Easter.

## SMOKE FILTER APPARATUS

Smoke in Microgrammes per cubic metre

		A	AVERAGE DAILY CONCENTRATION	GE I	AIL	(CO)	NCEN	TRAI	NOL			H	IGHES	T DAII	7X CO	NCENT	HIGHEST DAILY CONCENTRATION	NC	
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January		280 3	399 45	452 4	440	402	410	461	423	519	913	932	1,160	1,217	860'1	1,235	1,218	1,173	1,326
February	:	111 2	240 29	292 2	292	225	231	332	253	384	493	662	299	629	603	558	693	570	815
March	207		378 42	422 3	365	361	355	467	377	50I	919	1,360	1,100	1,100	1,073	1,033	1,115	1,060	1,184
April	*	*73  *1	*154   *222		* 691*	*162	* 991*	*264	*178	*297	278	344	431	406	360	352	455	390	480
May	:	62 I	121 17	143   I	129	127	114	164	132	156	222	316	291	297	302	272	303	286	287
June	:	47 I	103	98	92	93	83	011	85	95	108	091	138	6/1	165	137	178	124	150
July	:	41	92   10	001	85	79	77	120	83	101	6	183	173	143	146	141	161	147	161
August	:	54 I	131   16	I IOI	IOI	IOI	94	107	103	115	124	233	155	175	621	145	176	158	177
September	:	1 06	178 16	1 89 I	151	147	149	173	153	188	244	373	339	357	321	305	315	277	354
October	178		302 33	335 3	307	334	278	325	287	355	598	129	633	585	824	809	612	502	712
November	321		386 47	475 4	448	425	451	482	412	571	1,239	1,104	1,047	1,277	1,174	1,252	1,208	1,007	1,328
December	3	362 4	440 56	563 5	530	536	541	609	504	200	1,655	1,453	1,784	1,861	1,837	1,824	2,250	1,761	2,031
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CITY OF LEEDS—SMOKE CONTROL AREAS

	CLA	CLASSES OF BUILDINGS	BUI	TDIN	SS				Date
SMOKE CONTROL ORDERS	Domestic	Commercial	Initeubal	Other	JATOT	Acreage of Area	Date Order Made	Date Order Confirmed	Order in Opera- tion
No. I (Roman Avenue)—1958 (Amendment Smoke Control Order, 1962	162	:	:	:	162	20	16.5.58	31.3.59	1.10.59
(Amendment Smoke Control	6,418	3,771 79	795 I,	761,1	12,151	1,168	20.3.59	29.7.60	1.7.62
Order, 1962)	144	:	•	:	144	33	19.6.59	11.11.59	1.6.60
No s (Armley Heights)—robo (Amendment Smoke	598	5	н	3	209	68.37	15.7.60	23.12.60	19.9.1
Control Order, 1962)	640	∞	н	7	651	63.21	15.7.60	23.12.60	1.6.61
No. 6 (1ong Koad)—1961 No. 7 (Stonebridge Lane)—1961	250 I 10	4 :	н	: :	201	22 IO·54	9.6.6I	30.10.01	I.7.62 I.7.62
8 (Gamble Hill)—196	246	:		2	248	38.6	9.6.61	30.10.61	1.7.62
No. 9 (Meynell Street)—1961	180	:	•	:	180	3.53	9.6.61	30.10.61	1.7.62
No. 11 (Sivler Royd " B")—1961		::	: :	::	74 46	1.5 2.89	9.6.61 9.6.61	30.10.61	1.7.62
12 (5	220	н	н	7	224	88.61	19.9.6	30.10.61	1.7.62
No. 13 (Brackenwood)—1901 No. 14 (Armley Ridge Road)—1961	62 62		: :	: =	070	21.5	9.6.61	30.10.61	1.7.62
	154	:	•	:	154	23	19.9.6	30.10,61	1.7.62
No. 17 (Moor Grange)—1961	834	: 10	· H	: -	247 841	54	9.6.61	30.10.01	1.7.62
18 (Kepstorn)—1961	50	· :		9	56	4.5	9.6.61	30.10.61	1.7.62
No. 19 (Raynville Road)—1961	670	: 1		:	029	71	19.9.6	30.10.61	1.7.62
No. 21 (Grove Farm)—1962	200	° :		. "	212	120	13.4.02	7.9.62	1.7.63
(Kirkwood)—1962	500	+		) <del>-</del>	505	56	11.5.62	7.9.62	1.7.63
No. 23 (Cookridge) 1962	19+	:		H	462	342	8.6.62	5.11.62	1.7.63
	I	I	l	l					

# PROGRAMME FOR ESTABLISHING SMOKE CONTROL AREAS IN THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD 1962/66

Name of Local Authority:—LEEDS COUNTY BOROUGH Approximate number of premises in the Local Authority area:—211,000 Acreage of Local Authority area:—40,613:5 Number of premises and acreage of land in smoke control areas

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(9)	(2)	(8)	(6)
	Covered by Orders made up to 31.12.61	Estimated additions covered by Orders to be made during 1962	Estimated additions covered by Orders to be made during made during 1962	Estimated additions covered by Orders to be made during 1964	Estimated additions covered by Orders to be made during 1965	Estimated additions covered by Orders to be made during 1966	Final Objective (the total numbers it is intended ultimately to cover)	Target year for completion of programme
Premises	17,788	3,600	0000'9	009'6	12,000	15,000	211,000	1
Dwellings	12,624	3,000	5,000	8,000	10,000	13,000	174,000	1,975
Acres	1,710	750	1,250	2,000	2,500	3,250	40,613	-

NOTE:—"Premises" should be read as including subdivisions of buildings, e.g. separate flats in a block of flats or separate suite of offices in a block of offices. The list of hereditaments for rating purposes, other than land without buildings, may be useful in this connection. The total of premises should include the number of dwelings shown in the line below.

### PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORIAL STAFF

At the commencement of the year there were five vacancies for public health inspectors and during the year four further vacancies occurred due to the retirement of one inspector and to three inspectors resigning to take up appointments with other authorities. Another vacancy occurred by the death of Mr. John Bellhouse, a district public health inspector in the Department since 1947.

Three student public health inspectors completed their training with the Department during the year, passed the qualifying examination of the Public Health Inspectors' Examination Board and were appointed public health inspectors to fill vacancies. At the end of the year there were seven vacancies.

Four public health inspectors obtained the Diploma for Inspectors of Meat and Other Foods; five obtained Smoke Inspectors' Certificates.

Mr. J. Goodfellow, F.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., was re-elected a Deputy Chairman of the National Society for Clean Air.

Six pupil public health inspectors attended the third year of the full-time training course at the Leeds College of Technology, five attended the second year course and four commenced as first year students. Practical training in all aspects of the public health inspector's work was again provided by the Department. It will not be possible to fill the existing vacancies for public health inspectors until these pupils have completed their four year course and passed the Diploma Examination.

### Report of the City Analyst

### CITY ANALYST'S LABORATORY

BY

### R. A. Dalley, F.R.I.C., City Analyst

For the first time the total number of samples received for analysis during the year exceeded 10,000 and at 10,432 was the highest number of samples analysed in any year since the laboratory was established in 1928, the previous highest being 8,946 in 1960.

The increase was mainly accounted for by atmospheric pollution measurements consequent upon the opening of four new stations for the daily determination of smoke and sulphur dioxide in the atmosphere. Other sections of the work to show marked increases were radioactivity measurements, analyses carried out on behalf of H. M. Coroner, and the number of samples submitted by private enquirers.

Two new Regulations affecting the work of the Department came into force during the year, namely, the Preservative in Food Regulations, 1962, and the Emulsifiers & Stabilisers in Food Regulations, 1962.

The existing Preservative Regulations had been in force (with various amendments) since 1925. The principal effect of the new Regulations is to extend considerably the number of permitted preservatives and the number of foods which may contain preservatives.

The Emulsifiers & Stabilisers in Food Regulations prescribe a list of permitted emulsifiers and stabilisers.

Both Regulations reflect the growing awareness of the problem of "chemicals in food". The same is true of the increased number of samples of fresh fruit and vegetables which were examined for the presence of insecticide residues—work which is described in detail in the body of the report. Many of these determinations of minute traces of chemicals in food involve long and complex analyses and can only be performed with the aid of expensive modern instruments. The provision of such instruments is essential if this laboratory is to carry out its work effectively.

As usual, much time was spent during the year in answering enquiries from industrial firms and members of the public. Lectures on the work of the laboratory were give to many organisations, and the customary visits from groups of students took place throughout the year.

Once again it is a pleasure to express to my Deputy, Mr. L. A. Perkin, and all members of the staff my appreciation of the efficient manner in which they have met the heavy demands placed upon them. I also welcome the opportunity of thanking the Supervisory Sampling Officer, Mr. H. Long, and his assistants for their continued ready co-operation.

The following is a summary of the analyses made during 1962:—

### Samples submitted by the Public Health Department

Food and Drug samples	 3,332
Milks for Bacteriological examination	 608
Ice-cream for Bacteriological examination	 94
Fertilisers	 25
Radioactivity measurements	 237

### ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

Deposit Gauges			 100		
Daily Smoke and Su	lphur	Dioxide			
determinations			 5,386		
				5,486	
Miscellaneous samples			 	60	
			_		9,842

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Samples submitted by Other Departme	nts			
Baths & Wash-houses Department			3	
Central Purchasing Department			15	
City Architect's Department			6	
City Coroner			150	
Education Department			15	
Transport Department			I	
Waterworks Department			12	
Works Department			I	
		_		203
Samples submitted from Other Sources				
Private samples			131	
Craven District Coroner			2	
Leeds Group "A" Hospital Managen	nent			
Committee	• •	• •	13	
Rothwell Urban District Council	• •		3	
Wakefield Corporation	• •	• •	238	
		_		387

### FOOD AND DRUGS

The table on pages 234 to 238 summarises the samples taken under the Food & Drugs Act, 1955.

The percentage of samples found to be adulterated or otherwise unsatisfactory was 2.4 per cent. compared with 3.3 per cent. in 1961 and 3.0 per cent. in 1960.

The table on page 157 lists the results of the summonses issued in respect of those unsatisfactory samples concerning which legal proceedings were instituted.

### MILK:-

The average composition of the 2,475 samples submitted is shown in the following table, the corresponding figures for the last two years being given for comparison:—

### AVERAGE COMPOSITION OF MILK

Number of samples	1962 2,475	1961 2,634	1960	Minimum legal requirement
Solids-not-fat Fat	8·76% 3·77%	8·69% 3·74%	8·73% 3·75%	8·50% 3·00%
Total solids	12.53%	12.43%	12.48%	11.50%

The adulteration rate was 0.36 per cent. compared with 2.1 per cent. in 1961 and 1.8 per cent. in 1960.

Of the 9 unsatisfactory samples 7 contained added water (highest amount 11.0 per cent.), one Channel Island milk was 6 per cent. fat deficient (of 68 samples analysed), and one sample (submitted by a member of the public) contained several pieces of cellulose pulp due to contamination by cardboard or brown paper.

254 milk samples (compared with 335 in 1961) had solids-notfat of less than 8.50 per cent., and therefore added water was suspected, but in each case the freezing point showed the deficiency to be due to natural causes (that is cows giving poor quality milk), and not to added water.

For the first year since 1928 it was not found necessary to undertake a prosecution for the sale of watered milk.

### FOODS OTHER THAN MILK:-

The number of such samples increased for the sixth successive year totalling 823, compared with 769 last year and 135 in 1956. Of these 70 (8.5 per cent.) were unsatisfactory, compared with 6.8 per cent. in 1961.

Details of the more interesting cases of adulteration together with comments upon a few of the genuine samples will be found in the following paragraphs.

**Sausages.**—Of the 51 samples analysed during the year 10 were reported against. 8 samples contained less meat than the recognised minimum standards of 50 per cent. for beef and 65 per cent. for pork. Legal proceedings were successfully instituted in respect of two of these samples where the meat deficiency was substantial.

A good sausage contains appreciably more lean meat than fat, and two samples in which the fat exceeded the lean meat were classified as unsatisfactory even though the total meat content reached the accepted minimum. One sample of beef sausage, for example, contained a total of 50 per cent. meat, but only 23 per cent. represented lean meat and 27 per cent. was fat.

Two of the ten unsatisfactory samples exhibited a second fault in that they contained sulphur dioxide preservative without declaration of its presence.

The average meat content was 58.8 per cent. for beef sausages (24 samples), and 65.2 per cent. for pork (22 samples).

Potted Meat.—In many parts of the country this commodity is expected to contain not less than 95 per cent. meat. In the West Riding, and some other parts of the North of England, a more easily spreadable product containing about 80 per cent. meat is customary. 70 per cent. is considered by the writer to be the absolute minimum that can be accepted as satisfactory. In all areas it is recognised that potted meat should not contain cereal filler.

Two samples were reported against for containing cereal filler, one of these possessed a satisfactory meat content (80 per cent). but the other contained only 61 per cent. of meat.

**Brawn.**—As with potted meat, no nationally agreed standard exists for this commodity, but it is usually found to contain at least 80 per cent. of meat, and again 70 per cent. is considered to be the minimum acceptable.

The sample reported against contained only 63 per cent. meat.

Salmon Cakes contained only 31 per cent. salmon and Fish Cakes only 25 per cent. fish, compared with the legal minimum of 35 per cent. for both commodities.

**Smoked Salmon Spread.**—An informal sample contained only 40 per cent. salmon and a subsequent formal sample 41 per cent., compared with the minimum of 70 per cent. salmon required by the Food Standards (Fish Paste) Order, 1951.

The product had been imported from the Continent and the same importer was responsible for an article described as **Chicken** & **Ham Slicing Meat** which proved on analysis to be 21 per cent. deficient in meat content.

Although no legal standard exists for this commodity it is accepted in the food industry that such a description should only be applied to a product free from cereal filler and containing not less than 95 per cent. of meat. The product should have been sold as Luncheon Meat for which its 75 per cent. meat content and cereal filling were appropriate.

Minced Meat Loaf (also imported) contained only 60 per cent. of meat instead of the expected 65 per cent.

The efforts of local authorities over many years to deal with the unsatisfactorily low meat content of some canned meat products received considerable encouragement with the publication during the year of a Report on Canned Meat Products by the Food Standards Committee of the Ministry of Food. The Committee recommended the making of legal standards identical in almost every case with those for which Public Analysts have been pressing. Speedy implementation of the report would be a valuable contribution to consumer protection.

Canned Sago Pudding.—An informal sample and a subsequent formal sample of the same brand were stated on the label to have been made from full-cream milk, whereas analysis showed them to have been made either from milk which was seriously fat deficient, or from a mixture of full-cream milk and skimmed milk. The manufacturer admitted that the latter was, in fact, the case.

Rice Pudding with Glucose (Canned) bore the words "Now with Glucose" in large type across the front of the label, but actually contained less than 0.5 per cent. of glucose. It was considered that this quantity of glucose could have no significant nutritional effect and that the claim for its presence was misleading and therefore a contravention of the Food and Drugs Act. The manufacturers immediately agreed to remove the offending words.

**Canned Raspberries in Syrup** (imported) were 17 per cent. deficient in fruit compared with the minimum prescribed in the Code of Practice with which British Canners comply.

Curds contained o.3 per cent. of aluminium, indicating that they had been prepared by using Alum to curdle the milk. The use of this chemical is unnecessary and undesirable, and was described by the National Institute of Dairying (who were approached for an opinion) as "not current practice, but of some historical interest relating to the last century". The curds had not been manufactured in Leeds.

A sample of **Cheese & Bacon Spread** was heavily infested with live cheese mites, and a heavy infestation of flour mites was present in a **Parsley Sauce Powder**.

Three samples of **Table Jelly** failed the setting test prescribed by the Food Standards (Table Jellies) Order, 1949. Midway through the year this Order was revoked. Why it should suddenly be decided that standards are no longer necessary for table jellies is not clear, and on the evidence of the above samples, the revokation is to be regretted.

Colouring Matter in Food.—Non-permitted food colours were present in Sweets, Raspberry Essence, and Canned Cherries. A Dehydrated Food labelled as containing natural colouring actually contained an approved synthetic colour. Three other samples (Mixed pickles, Raspberry Syrup and Blackcurrant Sweets) contained permitted dyes, but failed to declare their presence. Rose Hip Syrup 2 samples (different brands) contravened the requirements of the Labelling of Food Order in that their labels failed to disclose the presence of artificial colouring matter and of Sulphur Dioxide

preservative, both of which were present. It is difficult to see the necessity for adding a coal-tar dye to this very "natural" food, but if it is done the purchaser is at least entitled to be informed of the fact. The manufacturers at first maintained that Rose Hip Syrup was a medicine and therefore exempt from the requirements of the Labelling of Food Order, but later agreed to amend their labels in the manner requested.

Samples of **Raisins** and of **Dried Apricots** (both imported) contained considerably more Sulphur Dioxide preservative than is permitted by the Preservative Regulations of this country.

Members of the public submitted the customary complaint samples. Most of the complaints proved to be fully justified. They included 22 samples of foreign matter in food varying from 77 mouse droppings in a one pound bag of rice, to a vigorous growth of mould in a bottle of beer.

**Pesticide Residues.**—The dangers attendant upon the use of pesticides receive regular publicity in Parliament and the Press. Whilst some of the fears expressed are exaggerated the problem is one of the most important and difficult that confronts public analysts.

Before World War II the examination of foodstuffs for pesticide residues was relatively simple. The number of pesticides was small and the only one which occasionally gave rise to trouble was lead arsenate.

To-day the position is very different—a score or more of organo-chlorine, organo-phosphorus and organo-mercury compounds are in common use and the list grows longer every month. The variety of possibilities is so large that a systematic search for all possible pesticides occupies a skilled analyst for several days—a fact which severely limits the number of samples which can be examined. One method of overcoming this problem is the use of a rapid Biological Screening Test, which sorts samples into those

which contain a pesticide residue and those which do not. Only those samples giving a positive result in the screening test need be subjected to the time-consuming full chemical examination. These bioassay techniques have been employed for several years by the Food and Drug Administrations of some countries, but are not yet widely used in this country. A variety of test organisms have been employed. Last year a series of tests were carried out in this laboratory using *Daphnia* (water fleas), as the test organism, but the results were not entirely satisfactory. During the year under review more extensive tests have been carried out using the Fruit Fly (*Drosophila melanogaster*). Ample stocks of this fly are easily bred in the laboratory and it is sensitive to minute traces of most insecticides.

One method of test is to expose the flies directly to a pulp of the sample to be tested. An alternative method is to macerate the sample with a suitable solvent which extracts the pesticide, and the solvent is then evaporated so as leave a residual film of the insecticide on the walls of the test-jar. The second method is favoured in this laboratory since it is much more sensitive than the direct pulp test, which is only satisfactory when the residue levels are high. Twenty flies are introduced into the test jar and the LD $_{50}$  (the time required to kill 50 per cent. of the flies) is noted. If no more than one or two flies are dead after 24 hours' exposure, the sample can confidently be said to be free from organic insecticides.

Bioassays will not detect arsenic, lead or mercury, and samples are separately examined for these elements, using normal chemical methods.

During the year 122 samples of fruit and vegetables were subjected to this special examination. They comprised apples, apricots, bananas, cherries, damsons, gooseberries, grapes, grapefruit, greengages, lemons, melon, oranges, peaches, pears, plums, pomegranates, rhubarb, strawberries, tangerine; beans, beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, cucumber, lettuce, marrow, mushrooms, spinach, sprouts, tomatoes, watercress.

Of these only two samples of lettuce (imported) were found by bioassay to contain any pesticide residue. Subsequent chemical examination revealed traces of organo-phosphorus insecticides in both samples, but in each case the amount present was well below the accepted safe limit.

These results confirm the opinion expressed above that the hazard from this source is not as great as is sometimes suggested.

**Drugs.**—Two of the 34 samples were unsatisfactory, neither *Essence of Pennyroyal* nor *Bronchials* being labelled in the manner required by the Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941.

### BACTERIOLOGICAL SAMPLES

608 Milks and 94 Ice-creams were submitted to the required tests, the results being shown in the tables below. The Methylene Blue Test measures the keeping quality of the milk, and the Phosphatase Test the efficiency of pasteurisation. The Turbidity Test, which is only carried out on Sterilised Milk, shows whether or not such milk has been sufficiently heated.

MILK

		Uns	Percentage		
Designation	Number examined	Methylene Blue test	Phos- phatase test	Turbidity test	reported as unsatis- factory
T.T. Raw Sterilised	192 96				::
Pasteurised :— Dairies Schools	96 75				
T.T. Pasteur- ised:— Dairies	149				
Total	608	1			

ICE-CREAM

Grade	Time taken to reduce Methylene Blue at 37°C	Number	Percentage	Quality
ı.	4½ hours or more	61	64.9	Good
2.	3½ to 4 hours	14	14.9	Satis- factory
3.	$\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours	8	8.5	Unsatis- factory
4.	Nil	11	11.7	Very unsatis- factory
		. 94	100.0	

19 of the 94 samples of ice-cream (20·2 per cent.) were bacteriologically unsatisfactory, compared with 15·6 per cent. in 1961, and 39·6 per cent. in 1960.

### RADIOACTIVITY

Facilities for carrying out measurements of radioactivity were augmented by the purchase early in 1962, of an anticoincidence counter. This instrument not only made it possible to increase the number of samples examined, but because of its very low background (about 1.8 counts per minute compared with the 27-29 counts per minute given by the existing scaler), resulted in greater accuracy in the results. A total of 237 samples were examined for radioactivity compared with 89 samples in 1961, details being as follows:—

Air.—The radioactivity of the smoke deposit obtained in the normal daily measurement of atmospheric pollution was determined each week-end throughout the year.

At the beginning of the year the activity was relatively high (6·9 picocuries per cubic metre) due to fall-out from Nuclear tests carried out by the Soviet Union in the Autumn of 1961. The level fell steadily each month until by August it had dropped to less than one picocurie per cubic metre. Russian nuclear testing was then resumed and was reflected by a jump to 3·9 picocuries per cubic metre in September. By December the figure had reached 7·0 picocuries per cubic metre.

The average monthly figures are shown in the table below.

	Montl	n			Total Beta Activity picocuries/metre <sup>3</sup>
January					6.9
February					4.1
March					4.3
April					3.9
May		• •			2 · 2.
June					1.8
July					1.9
August		• •	• •	• •	0.9
September					3.9
October	• •	• •			5.0
November				• •	3.8
December	• •	• •	• •	• •	7.0

Rainwater.—Measurements of radioactivity were continued using the special collecting gauge set up last year on the roof of Market Buildings. As would be expected the results (see Table) followed the same general pattern as did atmospheric radioactivity, namely a high initial figure, followed by a steady fall, and a sharp increase in the last four months of the year. The low figure for October compared with September and November was due to the low rainfall in that month. The absence of rain to wash the activity from the atmosphere would be expected to lead to a high figure for atmospheric radioactivity and examination of the table in the preceding section will show that this was in fact the case.

Month	Volume (Litres)	Activity (pc/litre)	Activity per metre <sup>2</sup> per day pc
January .	. 4.10	1190	2060
February .	. i · 90	1180	1045
March	. 1.70	1110	795
April	. 2.03	710	630
May	4.21	420	745
	0.84	545	200
	. 2.93	420	515
	. 5.21	140	305
	. 5.70	845	2185
	· 1·47	670	415
	. 2.02	2125	1870
December .	.  2.76	1455	1695

Drinking Water.—There is always a time-lag before variations in the radioactivity of rainwater are reflected in the public supply, and the peak activity resulting from the 1961 tests was not apparent in the tap water until February 1962. Similarly the sudden rise in the radioactivity of the rainwater in September, 1962, was not apparent in the tap water until November.

The monthly levels of radioactivity are detailed in the following table:—

M	onth				Total Artificial Beta Activity picocuries/litre
January					14.7
February					19.9
March					18.4
April					14.4
May					10.8
June			• •		9.9
July					11.3
August					9.6
September				• •	7.5
October					7.7
November					14.9
December	• •	• •		• •	19.8
Average 196	52				13.2
Average 196	)I				3.1

As will be seen by comparing the tables for rainwater and drinking water the bulk of the radioactivity in the former is lost by the time the water gets into the public supply. This comes about as the combined result of natural decay, deposition and entrapment on vegetation, filtration through the soil, and settlement, dilution and storage in the reservoirs. Of the total radioactivity that does remain in the drinking water only a small proportion consists of medically undesirable isotopes such as Strontium-90.

Actual determinations of Strontium-90 (which involves a complex and lengthy radiochemical analysis) were made quarterly, with the following results:—

Period		Sr-90	Sr-89
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter		 0·5 0·5 1·0 1·5	1·4 pc/litre 1·0 pc/litre Nil pc/litre 0·5 pc/litre
Average	••	0.9	o·7 pc/litre

Taken over the whole year the proportion of Strontium-90 in drinking water amounted to a little under 7 per cent, of the total artificial activity.

Milk.—A portion of each sample of milk received for routine chemical analysis (approximately 200 samples per month) is put on one side and the resulting bulked samples are analysed monthly for their Strontium-89 and Strontium-90 contents.

The results are shown in the table below:—

		Pico <b>c</b> uries	Sr-89 Ratio ——		
Month		Sr-89	Sr-90	Ratio —— Sr-90	
January		Not determined	5.2	_	
February		,, ,,	5.2		
March		,, ,,	5.0		
April		,, ,,	15.0	-	
May		42	8.7	4.9	
June		42 36 38	12.0	3.0	
July		38	14.0	2.8	
August		22	12.0	1.8	
September		42	13.0	3.2	
October		61	14.0	4.3	
November		16	16.0	2.5	
December	• •	II	11.0	0.0	

No radioactive iodine was present in the milk supply in the first half of the year, and it was not until nuclear testing was resumed by the Soviet Union in August that it was necessary to test for this isotope. Thereafter Iodine 131 was determined twice weekly, one sample being taken from a Dales farm, the other being representative of bulk pasteurised milk.

The following table shows the results obtained:-

9th August       Nil       Nil       Nil         16th August       Nil       Nil       Nil         22nd August       7       6       6         5th September       21       29         12th September       50       57         19th September       37       121         26th September       30       68         3rd October       112       145         10th October       62       66         17th October       50       32         23rd October       21       31         30th October       34       36         7th November       32       20         14th November       242       557         19th November       139       458         21st November       26       5         28th November       18       12	Date	Bulk pasteurised picocuries per litre	Upland Farm Milk picocuries per litre
4th December 4 2 12th December 5 Nil	16th August 22nd August 5th September 12th September 19th September 26th September 3rd October 10th October 17th October 23rd October 30th October 7th November 14th November 19th November 21st November 28th November 4th December	Nil Nil 7 21 50 37 30 112 62 50 21 34 32 242 139 26 18	Nil Nil 6 29 57 121 68 145 66 32 31 36 20 557 458 5

Several high figures were obtained in mid-November but thereafter the level fell steeply, partly as a result of the natural decay of this short-lived isotope, but probably more because of the fact that herds were moved inside at this time and ceased to feed on contaminated fresh grass.

Over the 13 weeks when activity was at its highest the average activity was 66 picocuries per litre (pasteurised milk) and 125 picocuries per litre (farm milk). Both figures are well below the recommended Quarterly limit of the Medical Research Council (520 picocuries per litre). A further safeguard lies in the fact that all the above figures are calculated back to the time of production of the milk. At the time of consumption radioactive decay would have slightly reduced this figure.

### FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS

25 fertilisers were submitted. One **Compound Fertiliser** contained a 2 per cent. excess of potash, whilst two others showed slight deficiencies in the declared amounts of soluble phosphoric acid and potash.

### ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

The daily measurements of Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide in the atmosphere have continued at the same five sites as in previous years, and at four additional sites where the necessary equipment was installed at the beginning of the year under review.

The results are summarised in the Table below:—

	Smo	KE	Sulphur Dioxide		
STATION	Microgram cubic		Microgrammes per cubic metre		
	Daily A	verage	Daily Average		
	1962	1961	1962	1961	
Blenheim	279 256 244 249 246 301 249 332 152	310 308 298 284 284	333 361 364 355 340 370 219 265	261 356 404 398 359 	

It is unwise to draw firm conclusions on the basis of one year's figures since these can show wide variations due to differences in climatic conditions, but it would certainly appear that the coming into operation of the Central Smoke Control Area has brought about an immediate improvement. The average smoke content of the atmosphere at the five sites within this area has fallen from 297 microgrammes per cubic metre per day in 1961, to 255 microgrammes per cubic metre per day in 1962 (a decrease of 14 per cent).

The average sulphur dioxide content of the air at the same five stations shows only a marginal improvement from 356 microgrammes per cubic metre (1961), to 351 microgrammes per cubic metre (1962).

The improvement has resulted despite the extremely severe "Smog" which occurred during the first week of December. The build-up commenced on the 3rd and reached its greatest intensity during the twenty-four hours ending at mid-day on the 6th December. In the worst affected area (Kirkstall Road) the highest levels of smoke and sulphur dioxide recorded during this period were 4,105 microgrammes per cubic metre (smoke) and 5,195 microgrammes per cubic metre (sulphur dioxide).

The significance of these figures becomes more apparent from a study of the following Table, from which it will be seen that the level of sulphur dioxide in the atmosphere was not only the highest ever recorded in Leeds, but was substantially higher than that reached during the notorious London "Smog" of 1952. One can only conjecture the figure to which the smoke content might have risen had it not been for the existence of the Central Smoke Control Area.

	Microgrammes per cubic metre			
Occasion		Smoke	Sulphur Dioxide	
Leeds (Kirkstall Road), 5th-6th Dec. 1962 Highest level in London "Smog" of 1952 Previous highest level in Leeds, Jan. 1959 Average level on a bright winter's day		4,105 4,460 4,030 400	5,195 3,825 3,825 200	

The measurement of atmospheric pollution using standard deposit gauges was continued at the same eight stations as in previous years. The temporary gauge at Sayner Lane (a site where there have been complaints of particularly bad pollution) was also continued. The results are shown in the Table below:—

STATION	Average deposit in sq. 1	monthly tons per		
			1962	1961
Armley Park Burley Park Headingley Hunslet		 	19·8 23·9 19·0 22·4	21·1 29·3 12·3 20·6
Market Buildings Roundhay St. James's Hospital Temple Newsam Sayner Lane (temporary)		 	24·I II·5 20·6 I5·3 86·9	25·3 12·6 19·3 16·0 61·4
Average of all permanent sit	es	 	19.6	19.6

On the recommendation of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research the investigations of sulphur pollution by means of Lead Peroxide Candles was discontinued at the end of 1961,

## MISCELLANEOUS SAMPLES SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

25 swimming bath waters were analysed of which two (not under the direct control of the Corporation) were unsatisfactory by reason of their extremely high acidity; 7 others showed less serious deviations from the recommended standards. 7 drinking waters were analysed, two of which contained excessive quantities of lead (2·7 and I·I parts per million respectively, compared with a desirable limit of o·I part per million; and a maximum permissible figure of o·5 part per million).

22 samples of water taken from flooded basements were analysed in order to assist in discovering the source of the flood water.

A sterilising fluid recommended for holding ice-cream scoops was found to consist of a 2·9 per cent. solution of Cetrimide. No toxic material could be found in two anodised aluminium jugs which it had been suggested might have been responsible for an outbreak of food poisoning.

## SAMPLES SUBMITTED BY OTHER CORPORATION DEPARTMENTS

Baths Department.—A soiled shirt, together with a sample of soap powder and a "builder" used in conjunction with the powder were analysed. As a result a new formulation of detergent was recommended which it is thought will result in much more satisfactory results being obtained by users of the Corporation Washhouses.

**Central Purchasing Department.**—7 samples of white disinfectant fluid, 3 detergents, 2 soap powders, 2 samples of margarine and one flour were analysed. Two of the disinfectant samples (taken from contractors' deliveries) failed to comply with the contract specification.

City Architect's Department.—Three samples of ground water were analysed in order to determine their likely action on Portland Cement. Samples of cement rendering, plaster and tile adhesive were analysed. The reason for the failure of the tiling was shown to be due to the fact that the rendering contained a much greater proportion of sand than permitted by the contract specification,

City Coroner.—A record number of 150 samples was analysed in connection with 40 deaths. 13 cases involved determinations of blood alcohol and estimation of the quantity of intoxicating liquor consumed by persons killed in road accidents. All too frequently the results indicated a heavy consumption of alcohol.

The possibility of poisoning as a cause of death was excluded in seven cases where no drugs (or only therapeutic doses) were present.

Of the 19 confirmed deaths by poisoning, 17 were due to overdoses of barbiturates, the actual drugs concerned being Amytal (6 cases), Nembutal (4 cases), Tuinal (4 cases), Carbrital, Phenobarbitone and Seconal. In another investigation a large overdose of a mixture of amytal and aspirin was responsible for the death, whilst the final case involved sodium cyanide.

Education Department.—15 samples of sausages taken from deliveries made to the School Meals Service were analysed during the year. Two samples contained slightly less meat than prescribed by the contract specification, and one sample contained an excessive proportion of gristle.

Transport Department.—One sample of fuel oil was analysed.

Waterworks Department.—The customary independent analysis of the City Water was carried out each month. With the exception of one slightly high iron content all samples were satisfactory. In view of the renewed interest towards the end of the year in the fluoridation of public water supplies, the fluoride content of the City Water was determined and found to be 0.08 part per million. The optimum level for the prevention of dental caries in children is 1.0 part per million.

## SAMPLES RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES

Private Samples.—The 131 samples classified under this heading involved the usual wide variety of investigations. 95 samples of foodstuffs (comprising milk, beer, chutney, jam, frozen fish, rice pudding, tea and whisky) were analysed, mostly for local firms.

6 specimens of viscera were analysed in connection with a suspected case of arsenic poisoning in cattle—the results did not confirm the suspicions.

An antiseptic solution, suspected of causing blistering of the skin, was found to be Cetrimide solution of seven times the recommended strength.

Other privately submitted samples comprised water (14 samples), chemical solution (for standardisation and subsequent use in examinations), paint scrapings from a child's toy (found to be free from toxic metals), packing material for possible damage by seawater, soil, a cylinder of compressed air (for use by under-water swimmers) and various deposits, tablets and solutions for identification.

**Craven District Coroner.**—Samples of blood and urine from the body of a pilot killed in an aeroplane crash were analysed. Both were entirely normal.

Leeds Group "A" Hospital Management Committee.—12 samples of Orange Squash were analysed in order to provide information for placing a tender for this commodity.

A pressurised fly-spray was examined and its effectiveness compared with that of a standard commercial spray. The latter was found to be very much more effective, this confirming complaints which had been made by users of the sample spray.

The stock of flies maintained for the bioassay of insecticide residues (vide supra) proved extremely useful in carrying out comparative tests on the two sprays.

**Rothwell Urban District Council.**—Three samples of water were submitted for routine analysis, together with determinations of their fluoride content.

Wakefield Corporation.—179 Food and Drug samples; 16 Fertilisers; 18 Atmospheric pollution samples; 18 Waters (including 12 for radioactivity measurement), 2 Sterilising fluids and 5 samples submitted under the Pharmacy & Poisons Act were analysed.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955 Samples submitted to the Public Analyst during 1962.

Article	Number examined	Number unsatis- factory
FOODS (3,298)		
Almonds, ground and shelled	4	
Baby Food	I	
Baking powder	I	
Beans in tomato (canned)	2	
Beef hamburger	I	
Beer and stout	io	2
Biscuits	9	
Black pudding	2	
Brawn	3	I
Bread	7	7
Breakfast cereal	I	
Butter	6	ı
Cakes	15	I
Cake decorations	2	
Cake and pudding mixture	8	
Cheese and cheese spread	13	2
Cherries, glacé	3	
Cherry pie filling (canned)	I	
Chicken preparations, chicken		
(canned and bottled)	15	
Chocolate	7	
Chocolate liqueurs	r	
Coconut, desiccated	4	
Coffee, instant	7	
Cornflour, custard and blancmange		
powder	13	••
Cream, canned, clotted and fresh	5	I
Cream of Tartar	I	
Curds	3	I
Dehydrated food	6	I
Dinner-for-one (frozen)	I	I
Carried forward	152	18

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Article			Number examined	Number unsatis- factory
Brought forward	•••		152	18
Fish cakes	• •		8	3
Fish paste	• •	• •	20	2
Fish (canned)	• •	••	21	2
Food colour	• •	• •	I	• •
Flavouring	• •	• •	6	I
Flour	• •	••	7	I
Fruit, canned	• •	• • •	24	2
Fruit, dried	• •	• •	17	3
Fruit, fresh	• •	• •	70	
Fruit juices	• •	• •	9	I
Fruit and nut bar	• •	• •	I	
Fruit pie	• •	• •	4	• •
Gelatine	• •	• •	I	
Gravy browning	• •	• •	2	
Herbs, dried	• •	• • •	2	• •
Herrings, pickled	• •	• • •	I	
Ice-cream	• •	• •	5	• •
Ice-cream powder	• •	• •	I	
Ice Jolly syrup	• •	• •	3	
Jelly, table	• •	••	14	3
Lard, oil and cooking fat	• •		16	I
Margarine			5	
Meat extract			2	
Meat paste			5	
Meat, potted			3	2
Meat, minced			2	
Meat tenderiser			I	
Meat Products (canned):				
Beef and beans			I	
Beef, corned	• •	••	I	
Carried forward			405	39

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Article	Number examined	Number unsatis- factory
Brought forward	405	39
Beef with vegetables and gravy	6	
Beef, minced with onion and gravy	I	
Chicken dinner	I	
Chicken and ham slicing meat	I	I
Ham and chicken	I	
Hamburgers with gravy	I	
Hamburgers with vegetables and		
gravy	I	
Irish stew	I	
Lamb chops with vegetables and		
gravy	I	
Lamb chops with gravy	I	
Minced meat loaf	2	I
Mixed grill in gravy	2	
Pork, chopped	I	
Pork luncheon meat	3	
Pork sausage with beans in tomato		
sauce	I	
Pork and tongue, chopped	ı	
Stewed Steak	I	
Milk	2,407	8
Milk, Channel Island	68	I
Milk, condensed and evaporated		
(canned)	6	
Milk, evaporated, separated with		
vegetable fat (canned)	I	
Milk powder (skimmed)	I	
Milk pudding (canned)	15	4
Milk shake powder	2	
Milk shake syrup	2	
Carried forward	2 <b>,93</b> 3	54

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Brought forward		<b>2</b> ,933	54
Mint in vinegar	• •	I	
Mustard and French mustard	• •	4	
Oatmeal		I	8
Onions, cocktail	• •	I	
Pastry mix		I	
Peanut spread	• •	2	
Pectin solution	• •	I	
Peel, mixed cut		2	
Pickles and Sauces		18	2
Polony		I	
Potato crisps	• •	I	
Preserves		17	
Pudding, ready made		2	
Pulses, dried		3	
Rennet, essence of		I	
Rice		2	I
Rice curry (canned)		I	
Rose Hip Syrup		4	4
Sage and onion stuffing		3	
Salt		I	
Sandwiches		2	2
Sausages		51	10
Sausage rolls		4	
Savoury duck		I	
Semolina		I	
Slimbread		I	
Soft drinks and soft drink powders		30	3
Soup, canned and powdered		16	
Spices		14	
Spirits	••	4	••
Carried forward		3,124	76

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Sugar and icing sugar	. 3	
Sweets	. 76	2
Tapioca	. I	
Tomatoes, tomato juice and tomato		
paste (canned)	. 9	
Treacle	. 2	
Turkey, minced in jelly	. I	
Vegetables (canned)	. 19	I
Vegetables, fresh	. 52	• •
Vegetable juice (canned)	. I	
Vegetable salad in mayonnaise (canned)	2	
Wine	. 5	
Yeast extract	. I	
DRUGS (34)		
Antiseptic lozenges	. 2	
Brewer's yeast tablets	. I	
	. I	
Cough mixtures, lozenges and pastilles.	. 15	I
	. I	I
Fever mixture	. I	
Indigestion preparations	. 3	
Laxative preparations		1
Olive oil B.P	. I	
Pain killing capsules and tablets .	. 3	
Sulphur tablets	. I	
Tincture of Indian Bark	. I	
Vitamin capsules	. I	
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